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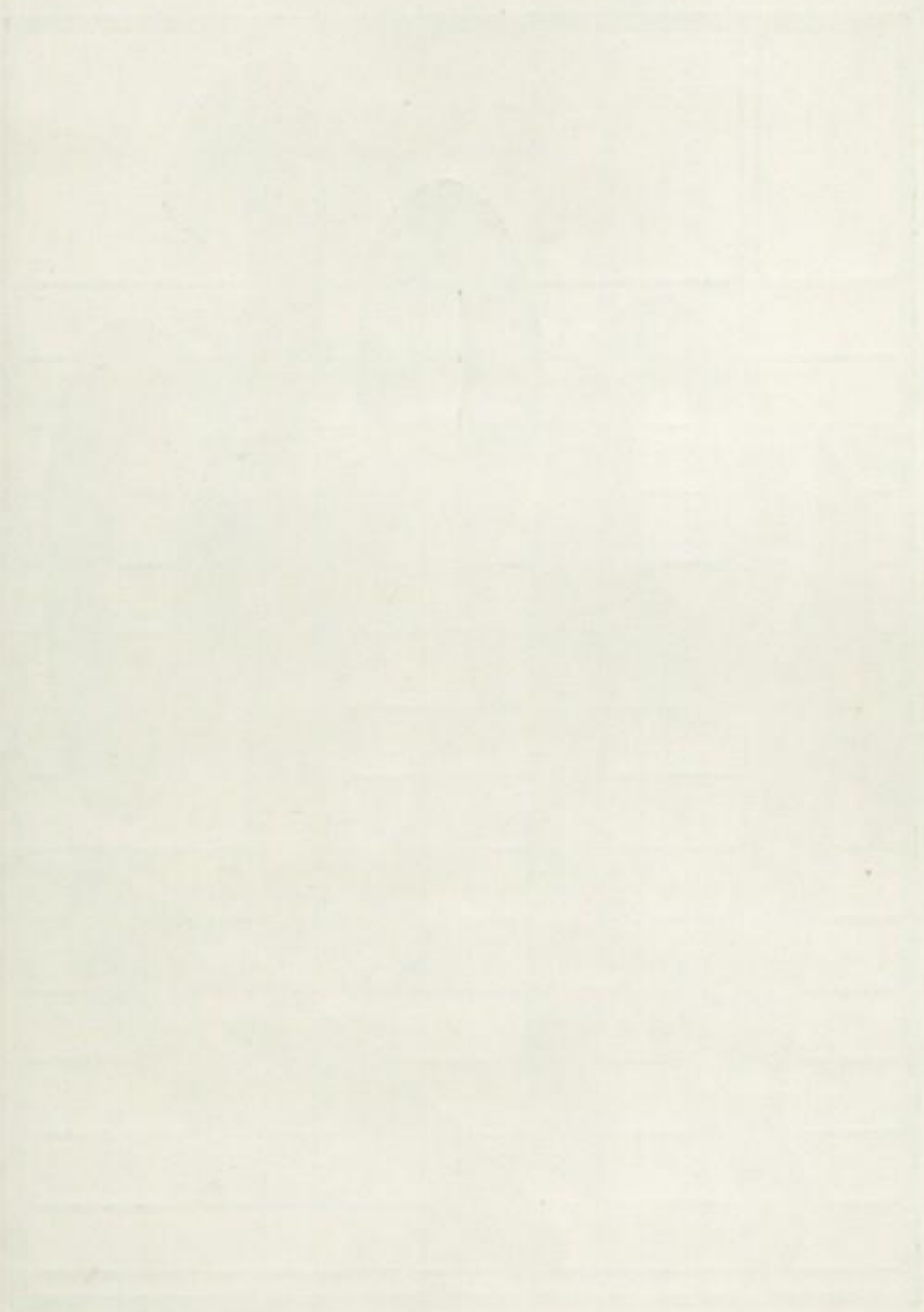
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1986



MERRITT TIME

The "86" Oiler

HIGH SCHOOL — An inside view of Merritt High School. From August to May — Student Life — covering free time, class time, extracurricular activities, favorites, and special times.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL — A year in the life of Merritt Middle School's class time, free time, activities, and special time.

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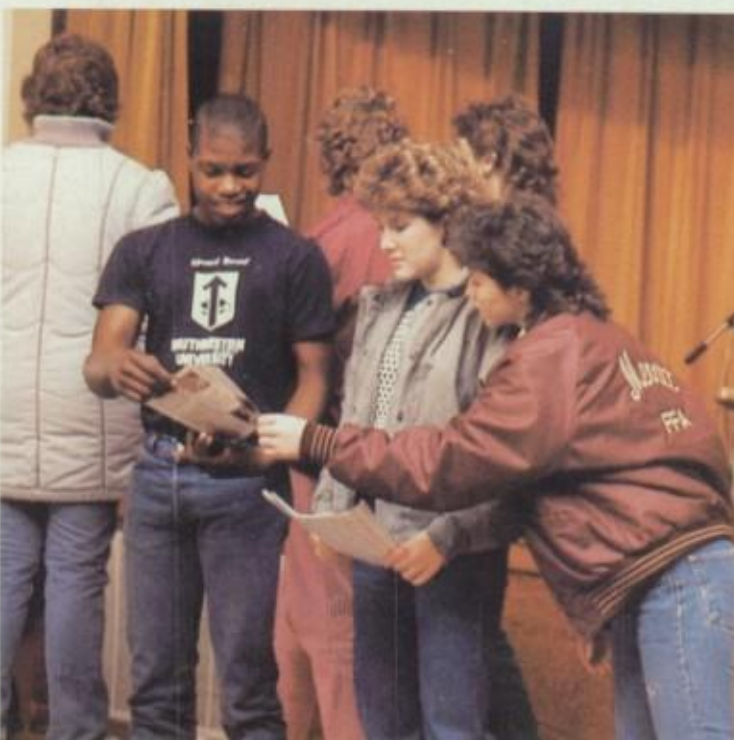
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Student Time



The students spend time in classes as well as enjoy the student lounge during the noon break. Upper Left: Kelly Beck and Cathy Shropshire work in art class with Mrs. Noblitt sitting in for Mrs. Plummer. Upper Right: Kim Whitehead and Kay Spieker's usual reaction when asked about Don Johnson. Middle Right: Tina Jones, Lori Thompson, and Leslie Gifford hard at work in Home Ec. Class. Lower Left: Don Ingram, Robert Pearson, Shane Peffer, Martin Cerda, and Chad Simon in Spanish Class. Lower Left: Pikey Word taking time for a pop break.

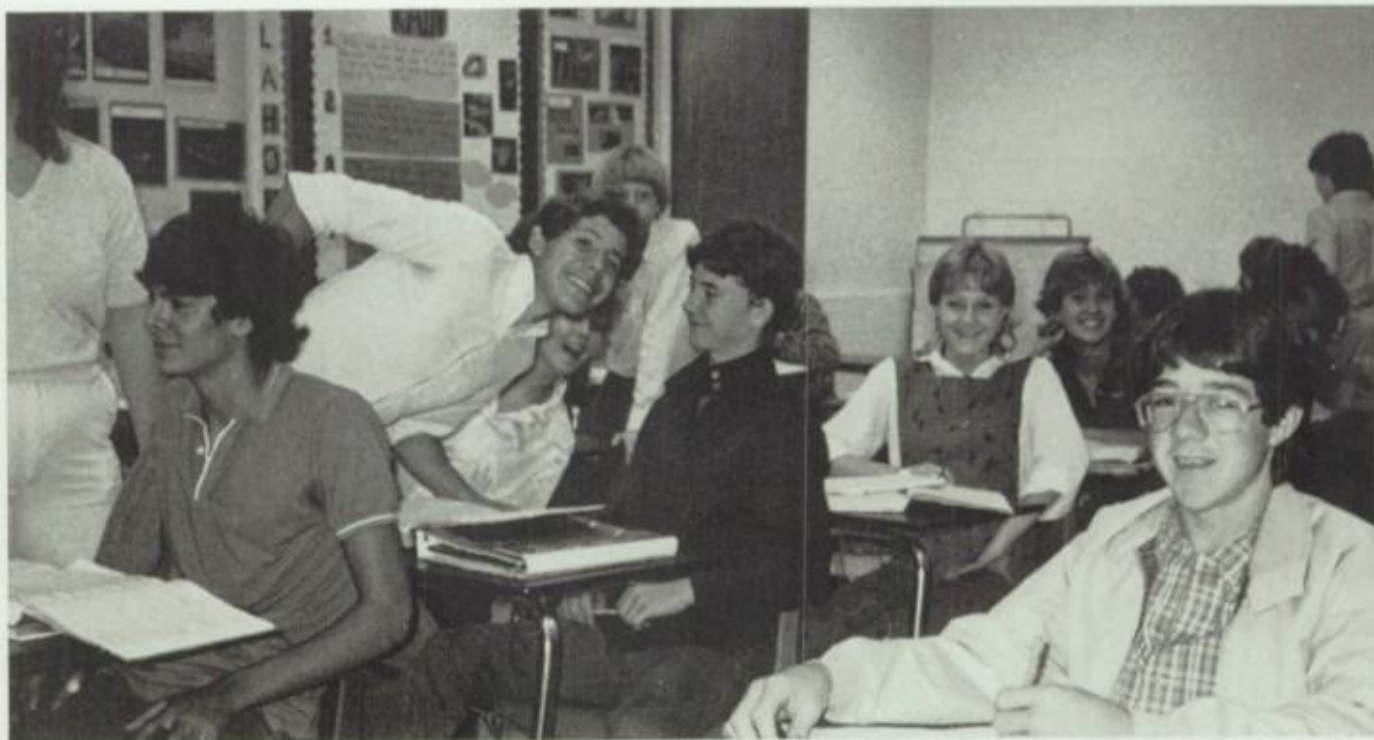




Upper Left: Regina Rainey finds typing rather exciting as she helps with the school newspaper. Upper Right: Sherry Givens enjoys a magazine in the library. Center: Kay Spieker asking Tim Marshall, "Why you bother me?" Lower Left: Anna Cerda enjoying the sun as she does her homework. Lower Right: Joanna Carnes, Stephanie Harless, and Kenneth Cade getting ready for the Christmas program.

Student Time

Left: Freshmen take time out from algebra to learn the important stuff; how to pose for a camera. Below: Would put this in your front yard? Martin Cerda doing his impression of a flamingo in jail.



Kim Whitehead, Shawna Trollinger, and Lisa Anderson having a slow day trying to push their nerds.



Above Center: Rusty Jackson and "Rusty's Angels" Lisa Anderson, Leslie Gifford, Lezlie Whitehead, and Shawna Trollinger. Below Left: The children at the Jaycees' Child Development Center teach Casey Coats and Shawna Trollinger new skills.



Left: Tracy Olson playing undercover spy hoping he doesn't stick out too bad. Actually he was taking part in Spirit Week. Below: Senior row.



Above Left: Kristy informing April and Jackie about the latest fashion trends — plaids and solids. Above: The things Tim Marshall does for attention. No, Tim participated in a psychology class activity. Left: These are not rejects from Green Acres, just students taking part in Hillbilly day during Spirit Week.

Favorite Things

The Student body is asked each year to vote on a list of favorite things. Here we have put a few of the favorites in pictures. Pictured to the right we found Tim Marshall playing video games at Nagle's. The Student Body's favorite hangout. Pictured Below: Cindy Cline is enjoying pizza at the Pizza Hut. This year's favorite eating place. Below Right: We find Bill Cline, Jamie Frost, and Martin Cerda wearing this year's favorite styles.



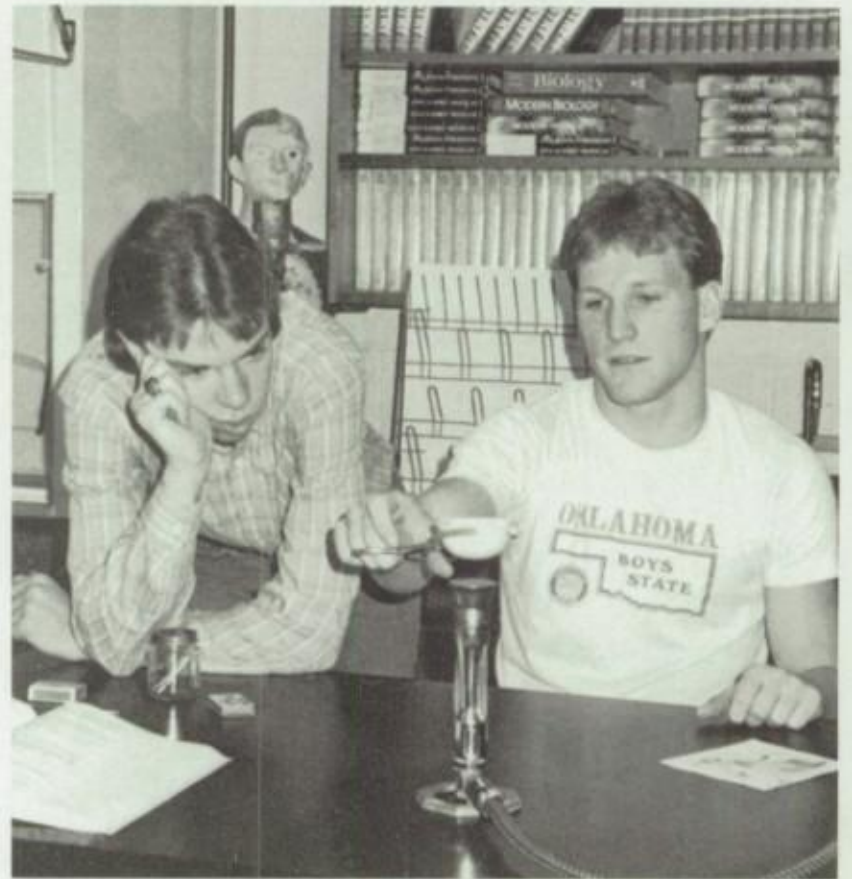


Favorites

This year the favorite pictures were taken by Lanny French from Blunck's Studio in the Holidome at the Holiday Inn. We enjoyed the atmosphere and the convenience and we greatly appreciated the use of the facility. Above: Amy Jones and Mickey Wright were voted Best All Around. Upper Right: Shelley Doss and Tracey Olsen were voted Most School Spirit. Lower Right: Mecca Murray and Tim Marshall were voted the Most Fun to be With.



Student Time



Upper Left: Tonja Timm and Nolan Thorton, two outstanding FFA students. Upper Right: Senior girls chowing on their favorite food, "Pizza." Middle Left: Yearbook Staff students taking time out for lunch. Middle Right: Brad trying to figure out what Mickey is doing. Lower Left: Russel and Rusty making the final preparations for chemistry lab.

Compliments of: DRESSER ATLAS

SONG

1. The Chair
2. Lovin' Every Minute
3. Money for Nothing

PAST TIME

1. Going to Town
2. Talking on the Phone
3. Playing Basketball

VIDEO

1. The Chair
2. All My Rowdy Friends
3. Money For Nothing

EXPRESSION

1. You Gern
2. Heck Yea
3. Oh Well

ALBUM

1. George Strait, Something Special
2. Loverboy, Lovin' Every Minute
3. Rick Springfield, Tao

T.V. SHOW

1. Miami Vice
2. Cosby Show
3. Who's the Boss

GROUP

1. Judds
2. Loverboy
3. Tears For Fears

T.V. COMMERCIAL

1. Bonkers
2. Pizza Hut
3. My Buddy

CLOTHES

1. Wranglers, Justin Ropers, Oxfords
2. 501's, Sweatshirts
3. Jeans, T-shirt

ACTRESS

1. Molly Ringwald
2. Madonna
3. Heather Locklear

PLACE TO EAT

1. Pizza Hut
2. Western Sizzlin
3. McDonalds

ACTOR

1. Michael J. Fox
2. Don Johnson
3. Eddie Murphy

HANGOUT

1. Nagles
2. Town
3. Home

MOVIE

1. Back to the Future
2. Nightmare on Elm Street
3. 16 Candles

Favorites

School favorites represent all the students at Merritt High School. They have the qualities as seen by the student body to be given the honor. These students take an active part in school functions. It has been a tradition at Merritt to recognize and honor these people. They are selected and voted on by the student body. The recipients of this year's favorites are: Top Right Picture: Jerrod Simon and Jan Roberts were voted Most Studious. Left Picture: Dusty Cloud and Michele Larson were voted Most Bashful. Bottom Right Picture: Darron Patton and Becky Wright were voted Most Talented.





Top Right Picture: Pikey Word and Sheri Spillers were voted Most Outgoing. Above Picture: Kelly Beck and Tammy Justus were voted Craziest. They were good natured enough to take some teasing from the photographer, Mrs. Thompson, and a Big Green Frog. Bottom Right Picture: Brad Lookingbill and Melanie Anspaugh were voted Most Dependable.



Seniors "86"



Important symbols for the seniors.



Jan Roberts enjoying computer class.



Mickey and friends in psychology class.



Michele and Becky are ready.



Mecca and Melanie in their favorite spot.



Senior boys at lunch break.

Friendship

Friendship is a fragile thing,
A small and feeble rose.
You take special care of it,
And it stretches up and grows.
It strengthens and grows
stronger,
With each and every day.
And when it buds to bloom in
spring,
Your efforts start to pay.
Petals are formed by little
words,
That say how much you care.
The leaves are tiny moments,
And experiences you share.
Then as the sun and rain of
time,
Fall down upon this bond,
Your friendship will keep
growing,
To last forever and beyond.

MELODIE PARKS

Delmar, Delaware



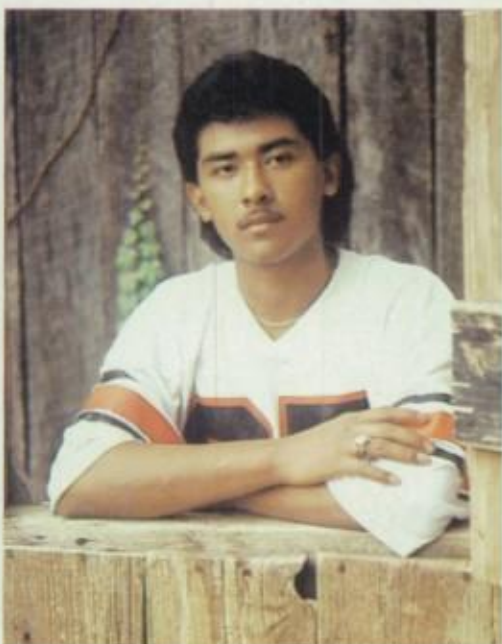
CLASS
PARENTS
Robert and Elaine
Simon
Claudene and Gail
Anspaugh



CLASS
SPONSORS
Rick and Sandy
Chalenburg
Dana and Robert
Duvall



Melanie Anspaugh
Kelly Beck



Martin Cerda
Cindy Cline
Craig Clowdus

Shawn Craig
Shelley Doss
Mark Farmer



David Hall
Amy Jones
Tammy Justus



Tammy Lewis
Timothy Marshall
Glenna (Hancock) Mincher



LaDonna Mullins
Mecca Murray
Michele Newman





Tracy Olson
Darron Patton
Jan Roberts



Jerrod Simon
Deanna Smith
Sheri Spillers



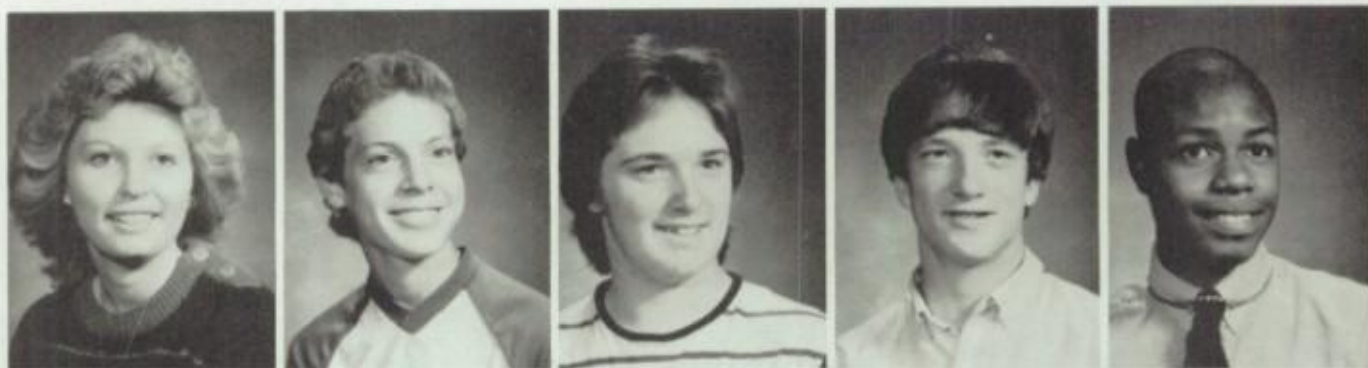
Nolan Thornton
Tonja Timm
Kevin Williams



Pikey Word
Becky Wright
Mickey Wright

Juniors

LaRay (Anderson)
Martindale
Tony Blackmon
Daniel Brewer
Dusty Brewer
Kenneth Cade



Joanna Carnes
Dusty Cloud
Michelle Coats
Kevin Cox
Kim Dykes
Laura Eichelberger



Jimbo Finley
Rodney Fish
Russell Freas
Melinda Gillum
Sherry Givens
Kristy Gore



Brad Grybowski
Jessica Hancock
Joe Hargrove
Michael Harless
Stephanie Harless
Kenneth Hoffman



Rusty Jackson
Shawn Jay
Tracey Jordan
Michelle Larson
Ryan Lemon
Brad Lookingbill



Jeff McLemore
Robert Pearson
Chad Simon
Kay Spieker
Chrisana Webb
Kim Whitehead





Left: We see Stephanie, Kristy, and Sherry showing off their glamorous smiles. Below: We find that Kim is an OSU fan and proud of it.



Center Left: You find Russell teaching Robert how to handle children. Center: Shows Joanna, Kenneth, and Stephanie enjoying music class. Above: We see Brad practicing his disgusted look for the referees. Far Left: We find Dusty, Jimbob, and Dusty Brewer showing these kids how to have fun. Left: shows us Jessica's pastime, even at school.

Sophomore

Shellie Aireheart
Lisa Anderson
Barry Barnett
Karyn Beck
Richard Bohannon
Angie Briscoe



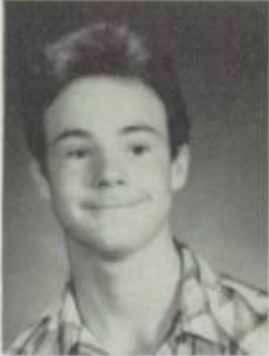
Brent Busby
Ana Cerda
Jill Cherry
Michael Clark
Bill Cline
Casey Conrad



Yvonne Craig
Robin Davis
Steven Foster
Jamie Frost
Leslie Gifford
Kendall Givens



Isom Harris
Angie Hutson
Don Ingram
Tina Jones
Tisha Justus
Allen Loomis



Sonya Loyd
April May
David Miller
Brian Millirons
Donald Mullins
Stephanie Oldham



Jeff Orr
Shane Pepper
April Potter
Herbie Pruitt
Paul Radtke
Regina Rainey



Right: Casey Conrad, Michael Clark, Dennis Teel, are total "spacecadets."

Below: Sophomores enthusiastically hurry through their lockers and on to class.



Left: Lisa, Stephanie, April, Tisha, and Angie are always ready with a smile. Above: Kenneth "Boz" Yeager says, "¡Dios Mio! Español otra vez." ("Oh My! Spanish again.")



Steve Roys
Jackie Tarver
Dennis Teel
Lori Thompson



Shawna Trollinger
J. R. Twyman
Lisa Walker
Clifton White
Pat Wright
Kenneth Yeager

Compliments of: POTTERS TRAILER PARK

Freshmen

Jodie Ackley
Becky Bashaw
Doyle Buckner
Debbie Buie
Buddy Carnes
Casey Coats



Autumn DeGarmo
Ronda Driver
Kandra Freas
Jackie Frost
Paul Gifford
Dee-Dee Green



Bo Hall
Jim Harkins
Curtis Henley
Steven Howe
Isam Harris
Krista Jarvis



David Jones
Gene Kuntz
J. D. Leffew
Stephanie Lemon
David Lloyd
Dana Maddox



Laurie McFall
Mike McSperritt
Ty Monty
William Morrison
Belton Neff
Wendy Negosek



Shane Newman
Jim Ed Noblitt
Kelly Orr
Doug Patton
Tina Shreves
Cathy Shropshire



Compliments of: EDDIE'S QUICK STOP

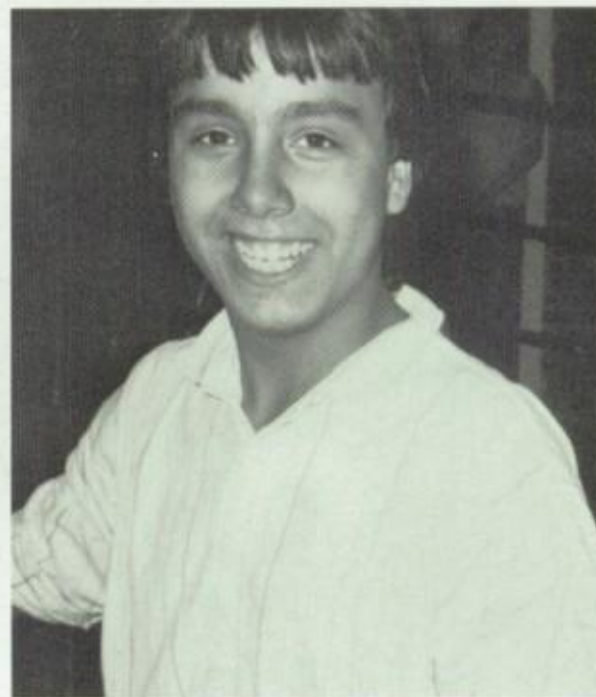


Left: The Class Favorites are Kandra Freas and Paul Gifford.

Below: we find Ronda, Becky, and Tina — The Three Stooges Together again.



Elizabeth Pettitt, Scott Whitmire, and Steve Force



Above: Heath saying, "Look Mom, No Cavities!"



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Andrea Sladek
Heath Stewart
Jeanna Thetford



Tamra Walker
Robert Ward
Lezlie Whitehead
Larry Whitely
Christy Worley

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A Time For Sports

Pictured, Left to Right: ATHLETIC ROYALTY — Jamie Frost and Kay Speiker — track; Darron Patton and Amy Jones — basketball; Mickey Wright and Leslie Gifford — football. The overall Athletic Royalty are Mickey Wright and Amy.



The 1985-86 football, basketball, track season endured tough competition, but the closeness and togetherness of each of the team members led them to a good season. We did have our ups and downs, but we faced them with the best of our ability. With the many hard hours of practice and agility represent the finest example of Merritt Oiler pride. Pictured Left: SENIORS — Back Row, Left to Right: Mickey Wright, Darron Patton, Kevin Williams, Jerrod Simon, Shawn Craig. Bottom Row, Left to Right: Martin Cerda, Deanna Smith, Tammy Justus, Amy Jones, Tracy Olson.

High School



Kim Whitehead — Junior
Head-Cheerleader 1985-86



Lisa Anderson — Sophomore



Cheerleaders



This was a really fun year for the High School Cheerleaders. They were always out there to support their team during the victories and the losses. The fans participated at each game, this made it fun for everyone. The pep rallies always made everyone get excited for the upcoming games. We would like to congratulate the Merritt High School Cheerleaders for the good work they have done this year.



Shawna Trollinger — Sophomore



Sonya Loyd — Sophomore

High School Football



Front Row, L to R: Shane Pepper, Richard Bohannon, Herbie Pruitt, Don Ingram, Daniel Brewer, Steven Foster, Barry Barnett, Rusty Jackson, Rodney Fish. Second Row, L to R: Ryan Lemon, Martin Cerda, Clifton White, Brian Millirons, Junior Tywman, David Miller, Bill Cline, Russell Freas, Kenneth Hoffman. Third Row, L to R: Charlie Pearson, Mickey Wright, Jamie Frost, Kendall Givens, Dusty Brewer, Casey Conrad, Kenneth Yeager, Robert Pearson. Fourth Row, L to R: Coaches Robert Duvall, Rick Chalenburg, and Blaine Stone.



Kenneth Hoffman, Merritt's Fullback running the ball against Sayre.



Junior Tywman sweeping the end against Riverside.

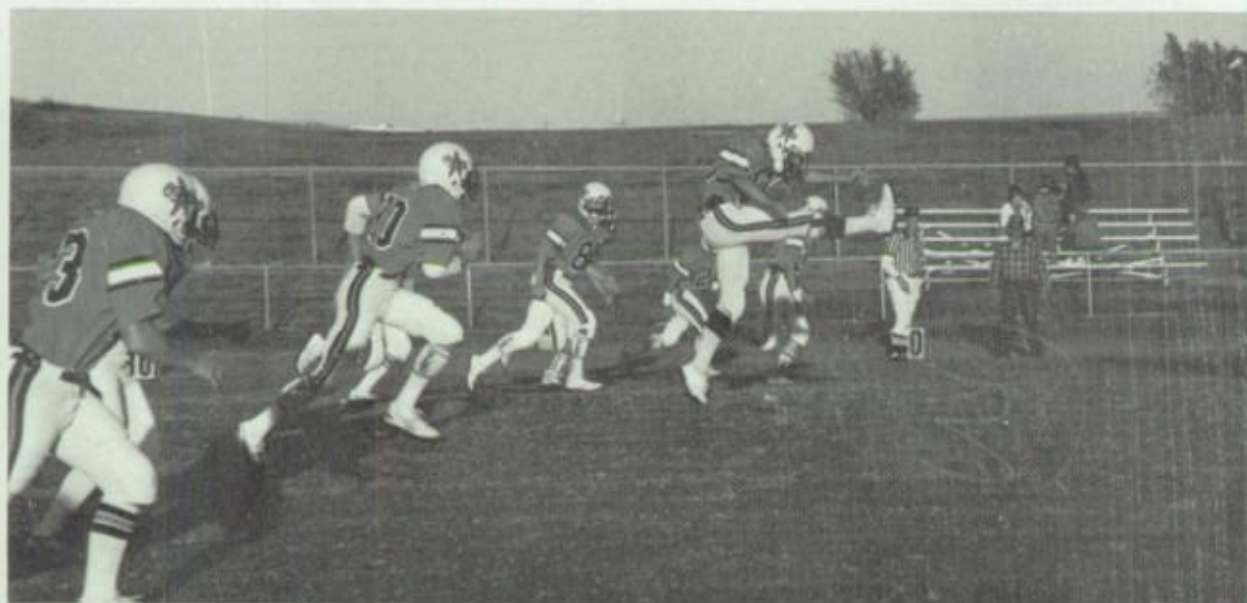
The Oilers played their second season of high school football this year. Early in the season they traveled to Mountain View for a three way scrimmage. Coach Stone was happy with the entire team performance, especially with the offensive effort. "They looked like a team."

While the Oiler's roster consisted of several upperclassmen, sophomores were the foundation.

The Seniors, Mickey Wright, Martin Cerdá, and Charlie Pearson were proud of the team's work in coming together.

A glimmer of this teamwork showed up at Thomas when they scored twenty-one points.

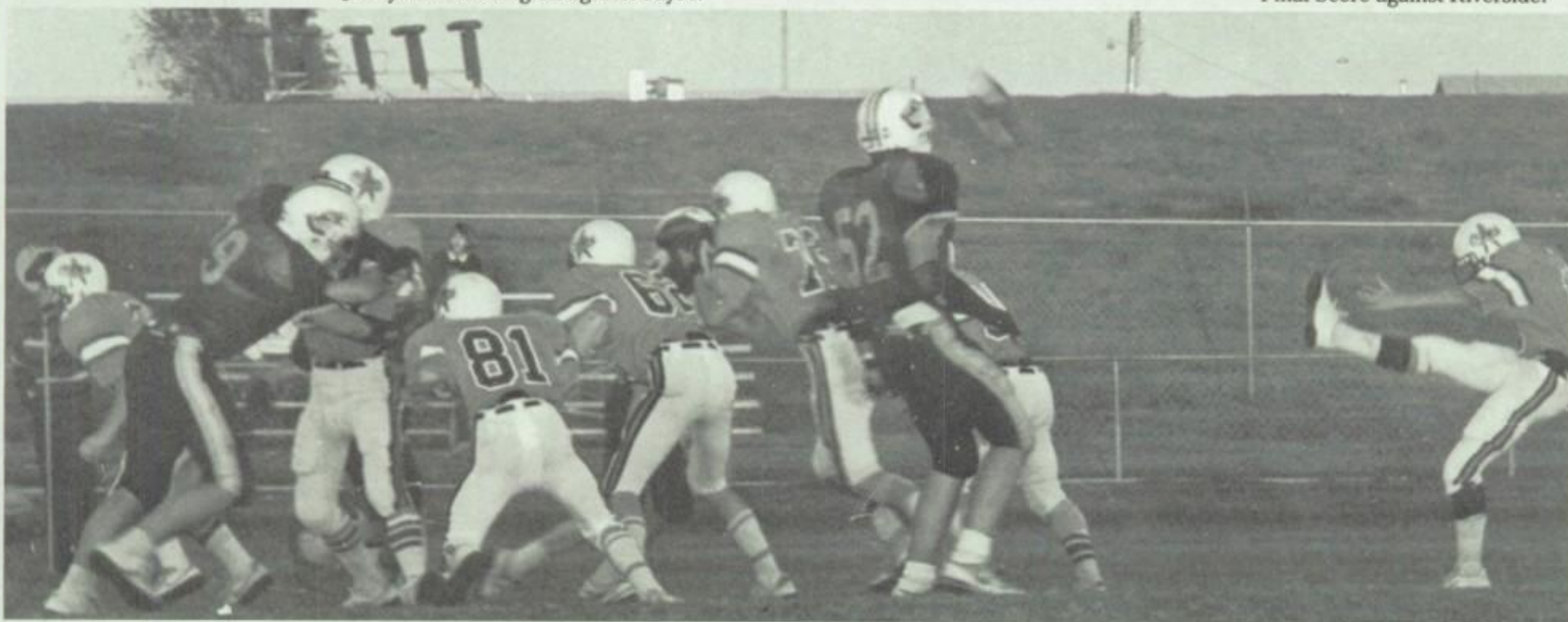
This season was an eventful one. The team started the season with a hope for the first win, and they got it on the last game with Riverside.



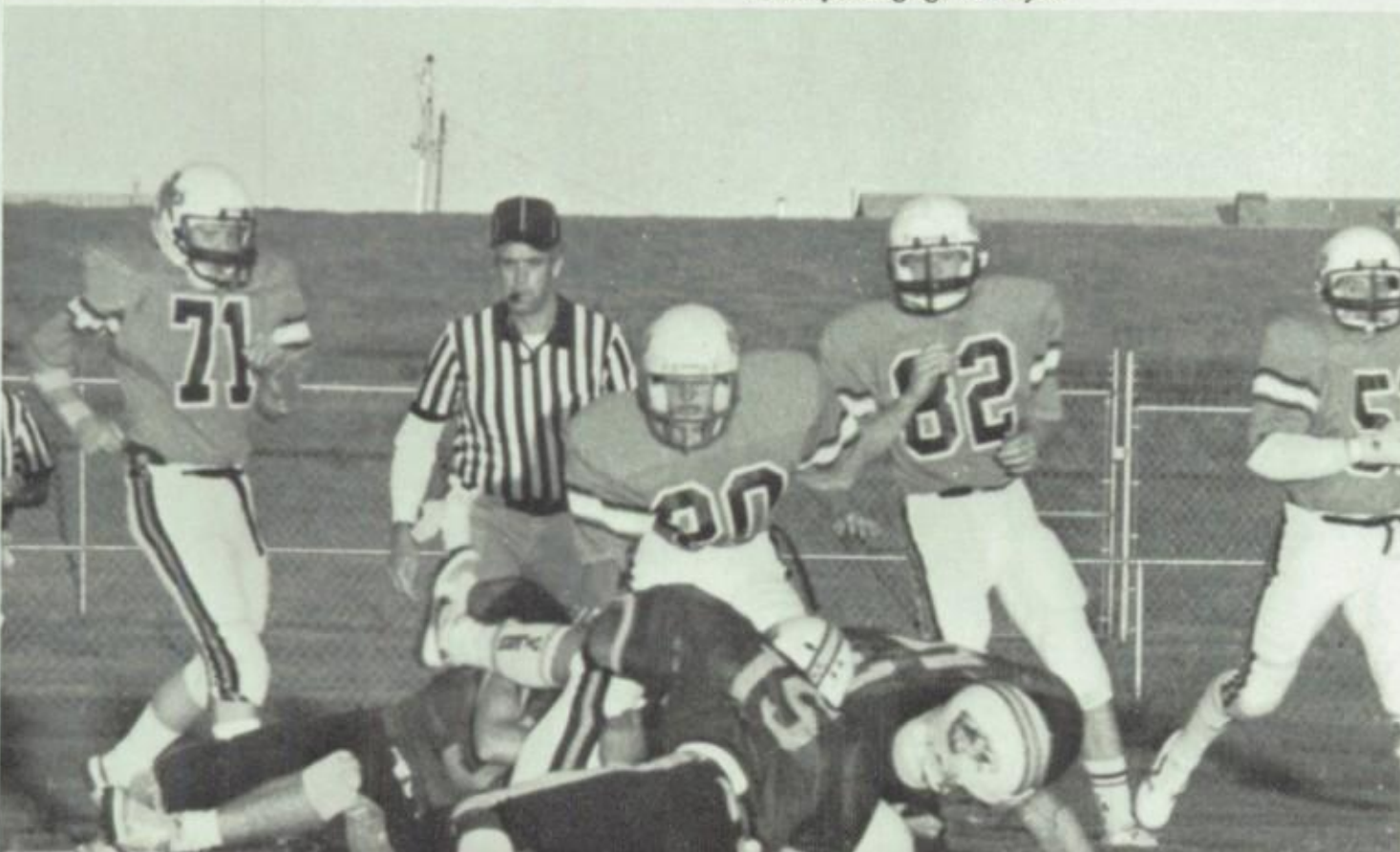
Jr. Tywman kicking off against Sayre.



Final Score against Riverside.



Junior punting against Sayre.



Mickey Wright rushing the ball.

H. S. Girls Basketball



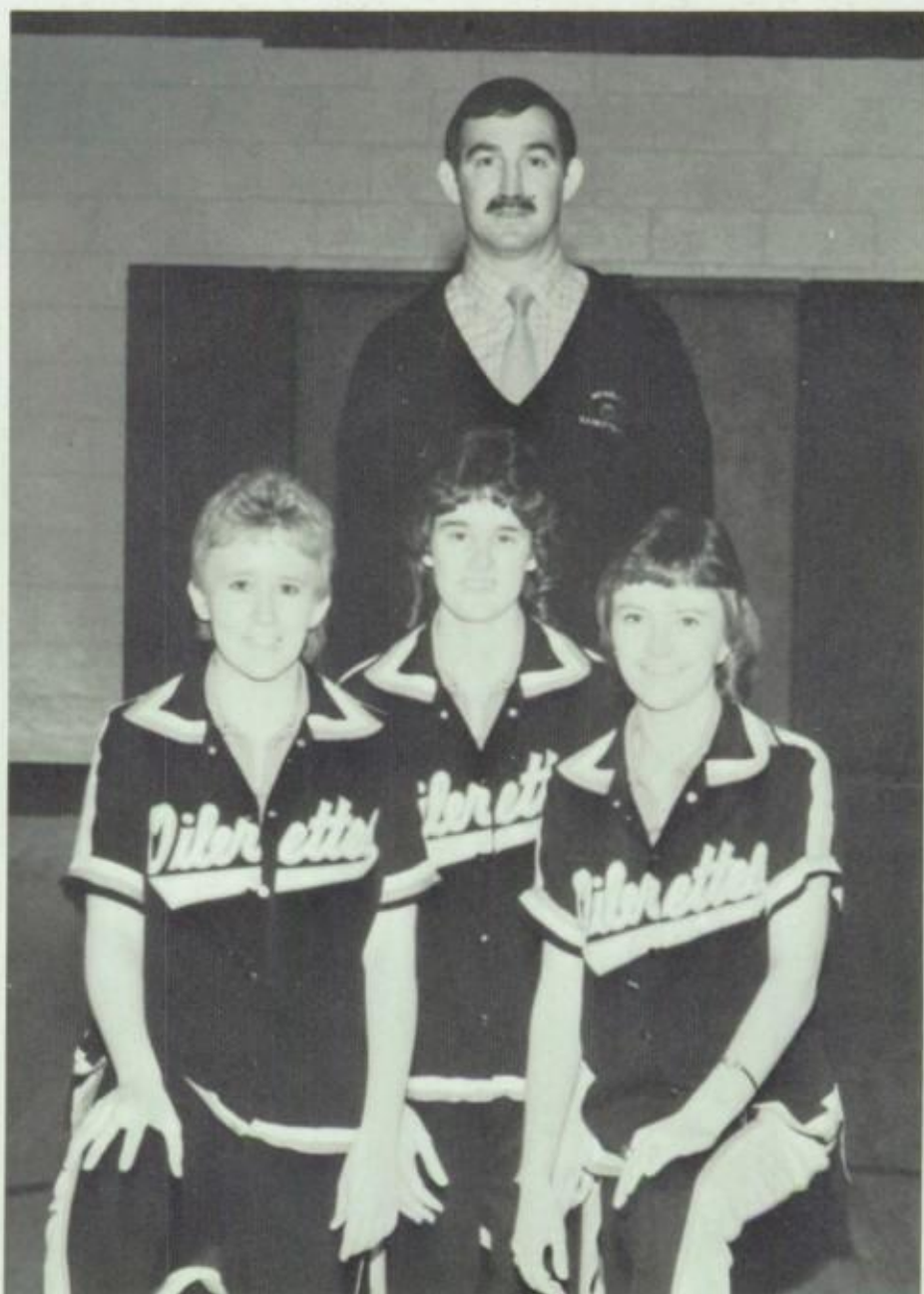
Front Row, L to R: Regina Rainey, Leslie Gifford, Kristy Gore, Stephanie Oldham, Kay Spieker, April Potter. 2nd Row, L to R: Karyn Beck, Deanna Smith, April May, Amy Jones, Stephanie Harless, Jackie Tarver. Back Row, L to Angie Hutson, Manager Angie Briscoe, Tina Jones, Tammy Justus, Tisha Justus, Coach Mulkey.



Left: Tisha blocking that crucial shot. Center: Amy going in for a lay-up. Above: Karyn keeping an eye on her girl.



Upper Left: Regina trying to keep her girl from getting the ball. Upper Right: Angie shoots for two points. Middle: Oilerette effort against their rival — Cheyenne. Bottom Left: Stephanie dribbling the basketball. Bottom Right: COACH MULKEY AND THE SENIOR GIRLS — Deanna Smith, Tammy Justus, and Amy Jones.



H. S. Basketball Boys



Top: D. Brewer, J. Simon, D. Patton, B. Cline, B. Lookingbill, K. Williams, M. Wright, S. Craig, T. Olson. Bottom: J. Twyman, Coach Duvall, C. Simon, D. Miller, J. Frost, S. Pepper, D. Teel, M. Clark, D. Cloud, M. Cerda.

Brad's shooting around his opponent.



Tracy and Shawn turning to offense player.



Compliments of: TWYMAN'S WESTSIDE 66

MERRITT SR. HIGH SCHOOL

1984 Basketball Schedule 1985

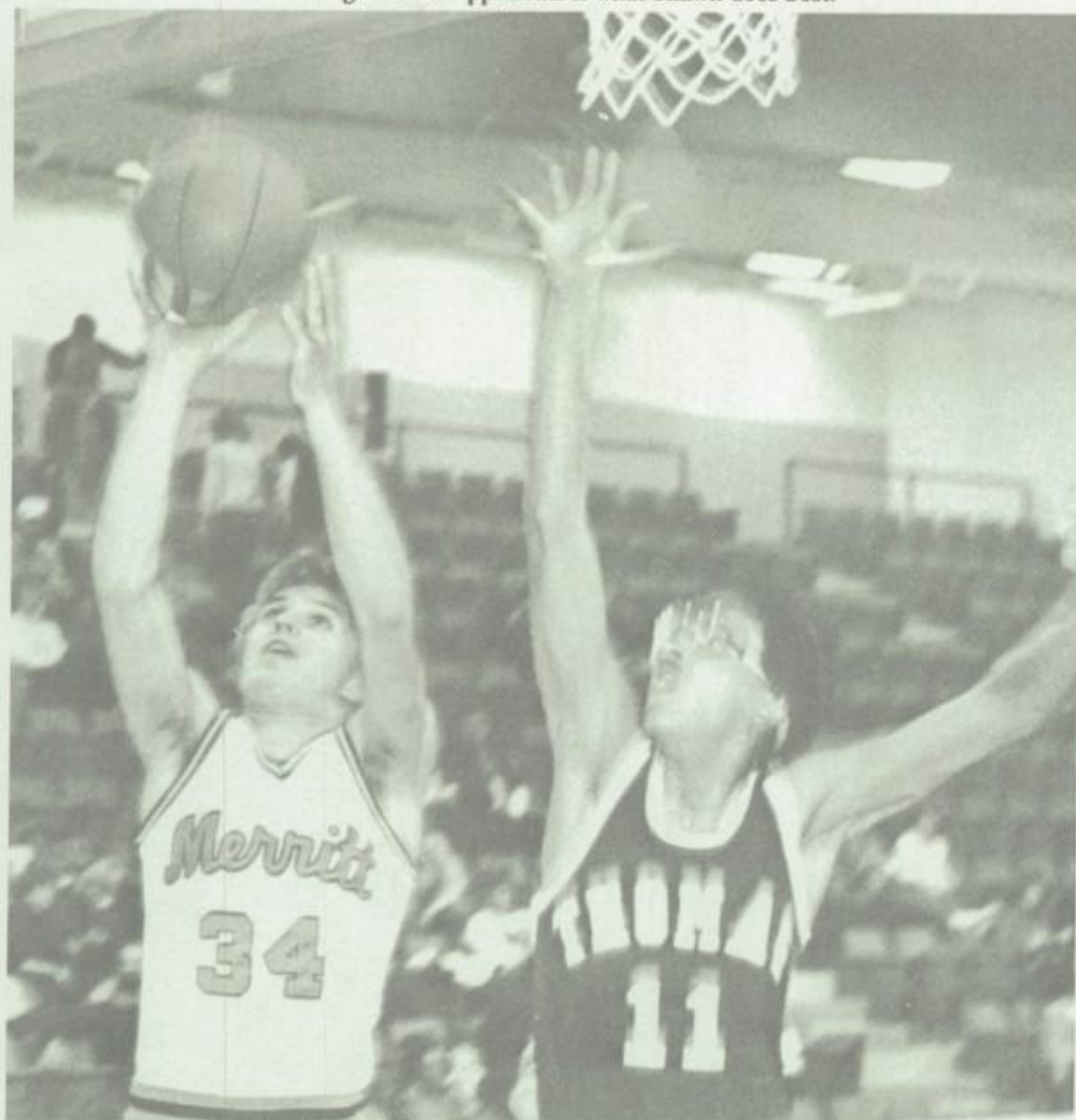
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Nov. 16	Carter	H
Nov. 20	Canute	T
Nov. 30 - Dec. 1	Mangum Festival	
Dec. 3-8	Granite Tournament	
Dec. 11	Arapaho	H
Dec. 14	Custer	H
Dec. 18	Vici	T
Jan. 4-5	Elk City Festival	
Jan. 8	Dill City	T
Jan. 11	Sayre	T
Jan. 15	Custer	T
Jan. 21-26	HS Bi-County Tournament	
Jan. 28	Merritt JV Festival	
Jan. 29	Arapaho	T
Jan. 31	Merritt JV Festival	
Feb. 1	Canute	H
Feb. 2	Butler	H
Feb. 4	HS 5-County Play-Off Elk City	
Feb. 8-9	A & B Districts	
Feb. 15-16	2A & 3A Districts	

Boys Coach - Kent Jackson
Assistant - Robert Duvall
Girls Coach - Jerry M. Johnson
Assistant - Garry Pasby



Crashing the boards.

Shooting over the opponents is what Shawn does best.



Coach giving his plans for the next quarter.



On behalf of the basketball team, we would like to say thanks for all the support we got this year. And we hope that we'll have that support in the years to come.

H. S. Basketball Boys

High School Track



Front Row: Buddy Carnes, Leslie Gifford, Paul Gifford, Kandra Freas, Barry Barnett, Tina Jones, Jamie Frost. Second Row: Casey Coats, April Potter, David Jones, Lisa Walker, Mike McSperitt, Kay Spieker. Back Row: Coach Stone, Autumn DeGarmo, Blackie Miller, Regina Rainey, Coach Chalenburg.



April must be in first.



Kay waiting for the stick.



Regina setting the pace.



STICK!!



Kay giving it her all.



Leslie running for the gold.



Above Left: 2 mile Relay Team received 8th in State Meet. Top Row: Regina Rainey, April Potter. Bottom Row: Kandra Freas, Leslie Gifford, Coach Chalenburg. Above Right: Sprint Relay Team. Top Row: Leslie Gifford, Regina Rainey. Bottom Row: Kay Spieker, April Potter, Coach Chalenburg. Right: Mile Relay Team received 4th at Regional. Top Row: Buddy Carnes, Coach Stone, Paul Gifford. Bottom Row: Mike McSperitt, David Jones.

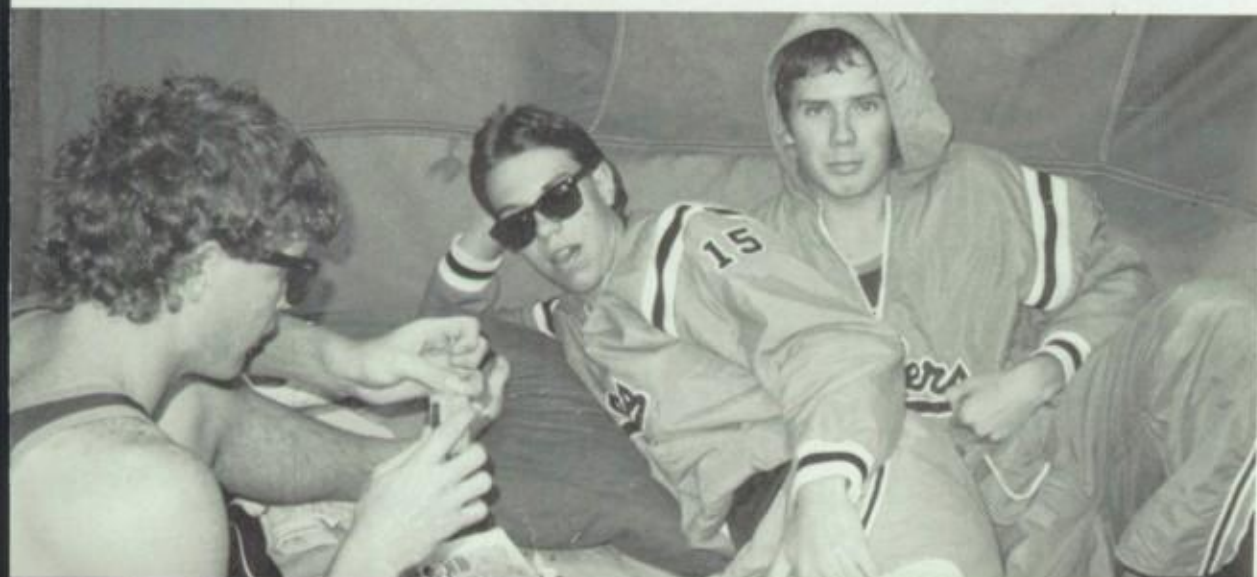




Left: Jamie Frost won 5th place at the State track meet vaulting. Below: Shawn Jay jumping the high jump.



Center, L to R: Mike McSperitt, Buddy Carnes, Pau Gifford, and David Jones running the mile relay. Left: Jamie Frost, Brad Lookingbill, and Kenneth Yeager taking a breather at a track meet.





Best Wishes to the Class of '86

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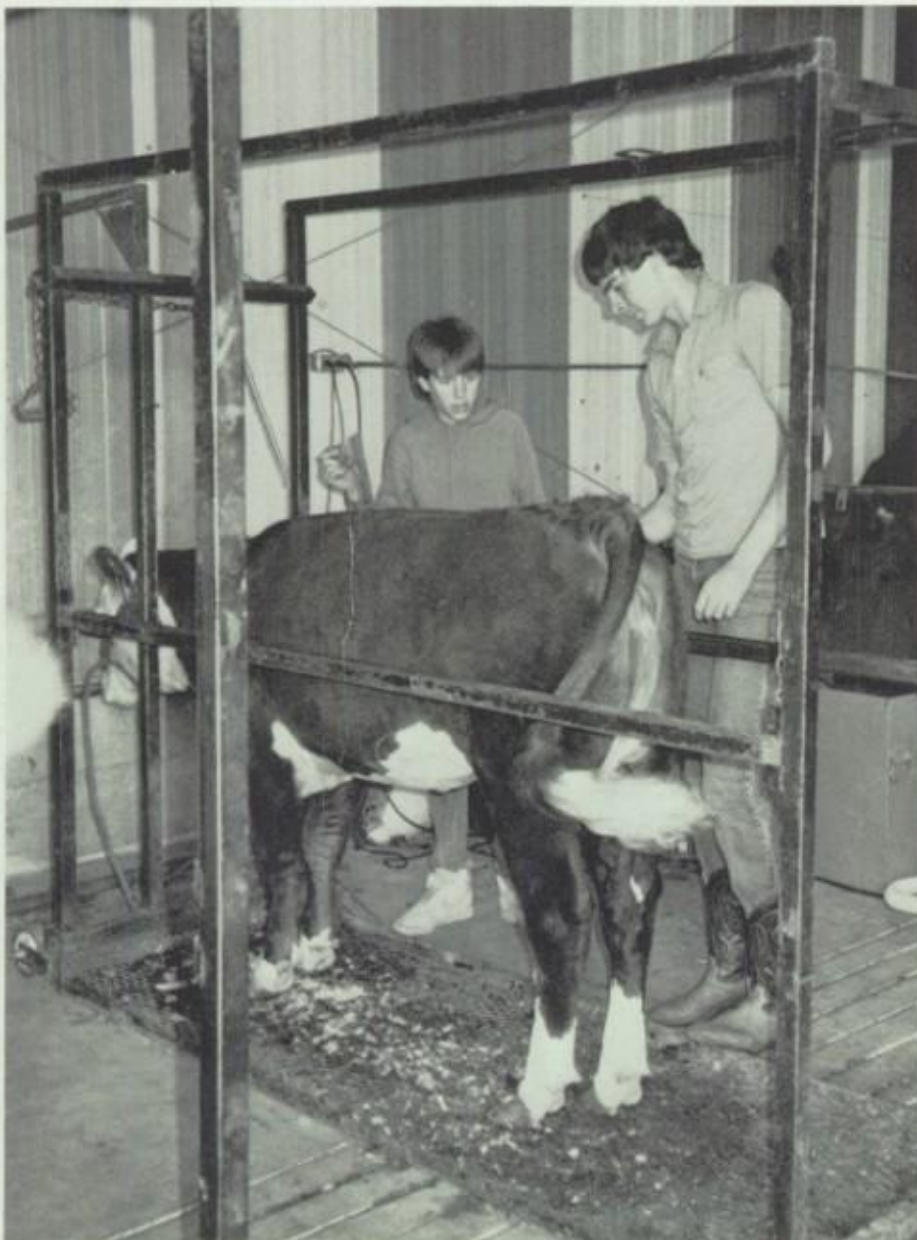
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Time For Organizations



The Clubs and Organizations at Merritt have had a busy and productive year. The activities done by the students who participate in these clubs and organizations are very important to them and help round out the year for everyone involved. Among these clubs and organizations are 4-H, FHA, FFA, Vo-Tech, Annual Staff, Rodeo, and many others. We are very proud of all their achievements, and would like to say "Thanks" to everyone who takes time to get involved.



FHA



Top Row: J. Frost, T. Lewis, T. Justus, A. Simmons, T. Jones, C. Cline, T. Walker, G. Kuntz. Third Row: K. Freas, T. Shreves, L. Anderson, L. Whitehead, J. Traver, S. Oldom, L. Walker, A. May, L. McFall, S. Trollinger. Second Row: D. Buie, L. Thompson, C. Coates, L. Gifford, B. Wright, M. Murray, C. Shropshire, K. Jarvis, Mrs. Martin — Advisor. Front Row: 1985-86 OFFICERS: C. Webb — Devotionalist/Parliamentarian, M. Newman — Reporter, T. Justus — Vice-President, J. Simon — FHA Beau, M. Anspaugh — President, D. Smith — Treasurer, J. Cherry — Secretary. Not Pictured: S. Doss — Music and Recreation Leader.



Sonya Loyd cleaning up at the Installation Banquet.



Darrin Craig won the Quilt that the FHA Chapter made. They worked hard and did a good job.



Shellie Airehart presenting Chapter Accomplishments.



FHA Beau Candidates were Brad Lookingbill, Casey Coates, and Shane Pepper. Shane received the honor for 1986-87.



Shelley Doss on her way to the Star Events.

Compliments of: LOCAL FEDERAL SAVINGS



Left: Seniors and FHA beau showing off their senior gifts from the chapter. Below: T. Justus helping Niki Varner put together an icecream sundae at the FHA Initiation.



Left Center: STAR EVENT PARTICIPANTS — S. Doss, S. Airehart, K. Jarvis, T. Shreves, L. Thompson. Above: Melaine Anspaugh presenting appreciation plaques to the Chapter parents Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Whitehead, and Dr. and Mrs. Gail Anspaugh. Left: FHA members serving refreshments to the children at the Jaycee Child Development Center for the community achievement project.

FFA



1st Row, L to R: J. Orr, D. Patton, C. Henley, S. Howe, S. Newman, L. Whitely, J. Thetford, M. Clark, W. Morrison, B. Bashaw, D. Maddox. 2nd Row, L to R: B. Hall, T. Timm, B. Carnes, T. Monty, J. Noblitt, S. Whittmeyer, P. Gifford, S. Joyce, K. Hoffman, M. Harless, D. Hall, B. Busby. 3rd Row, L to R: P. Radtke, D. Farmer, H. Pruitt, R. Bohannon, A. Briscoe, H. Stewart, B. Barnett, K. Beck, J. Leffew, M. Cerda, A. DeGarmo, J. Harkins. 4th Row, L to R: D. Miller, D. Jones, S. Jay, K. Williams, B. Millirons, B. Cline, R. Fish, J. Twyman, M. Wright, D. Patton, S. Craig. 5th Row, L to R: P. Wright, D. Loyd, C. White, D. Teel, K. Givens, J. Frost, J. McLemore, C. Clowdus, N. Thornton, D. Brewer.



Front Row, L to R: Kim Dykes — Treasurer; Jerrod Simon — Vice President; Angie Hutson — Sweetheart; Kelley Beck — President; Joanna Carnes — Secretary. Back Row, L to R: Jimbo Finley — Parliamentarian; Mr. Mitchell — Advisor; Chad Simon — Reporter. Not Pictured: Steven Roys — Sentinel; Mr. Mollet — Advisor.



Top Left: Gary Thornton and Mike Bandy received the Honorary Chapter Farmer Award. Top Right: Jim Noblitt, Gary DeGarmo, and Robert Simon were presented with Appreciation Plaques. Center: Kelly Beck, Nolan Thornton, Tonja Timm, and Jerrod Simon were recognized as 1986 State Farmers. Lower Left: Nolan Thornton was named Star Chapter Farmer. Lower Right: Chad Simon poses with Mr. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Walters. Chad received the Glen Walters Memorial Award which is given in memory of Glen Walters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walters.





1. Kelly giving up his office as president to Chad.
2. Buddy showing his Angus at the local show.
3. Jimbo showing his York at the local show.
4. Bryan Smith speaking at the FFA Banquet.
5. The Sweetheart candidates and their escorts wait anxiously for the announcement of the new '86-87 FFA Sweetheart.
6. Jim Ed Noblitt and Dana Maddox were given the Star Greenhand Award.
7. Kim feeding her pig at the county show.
8. Dennis getting his sheep ready to show.
9. The '85-86 President, Kelly Beck, poses for a picture with the new '86-87 Sweetheart, Joanna Carnes.



High School 4-H

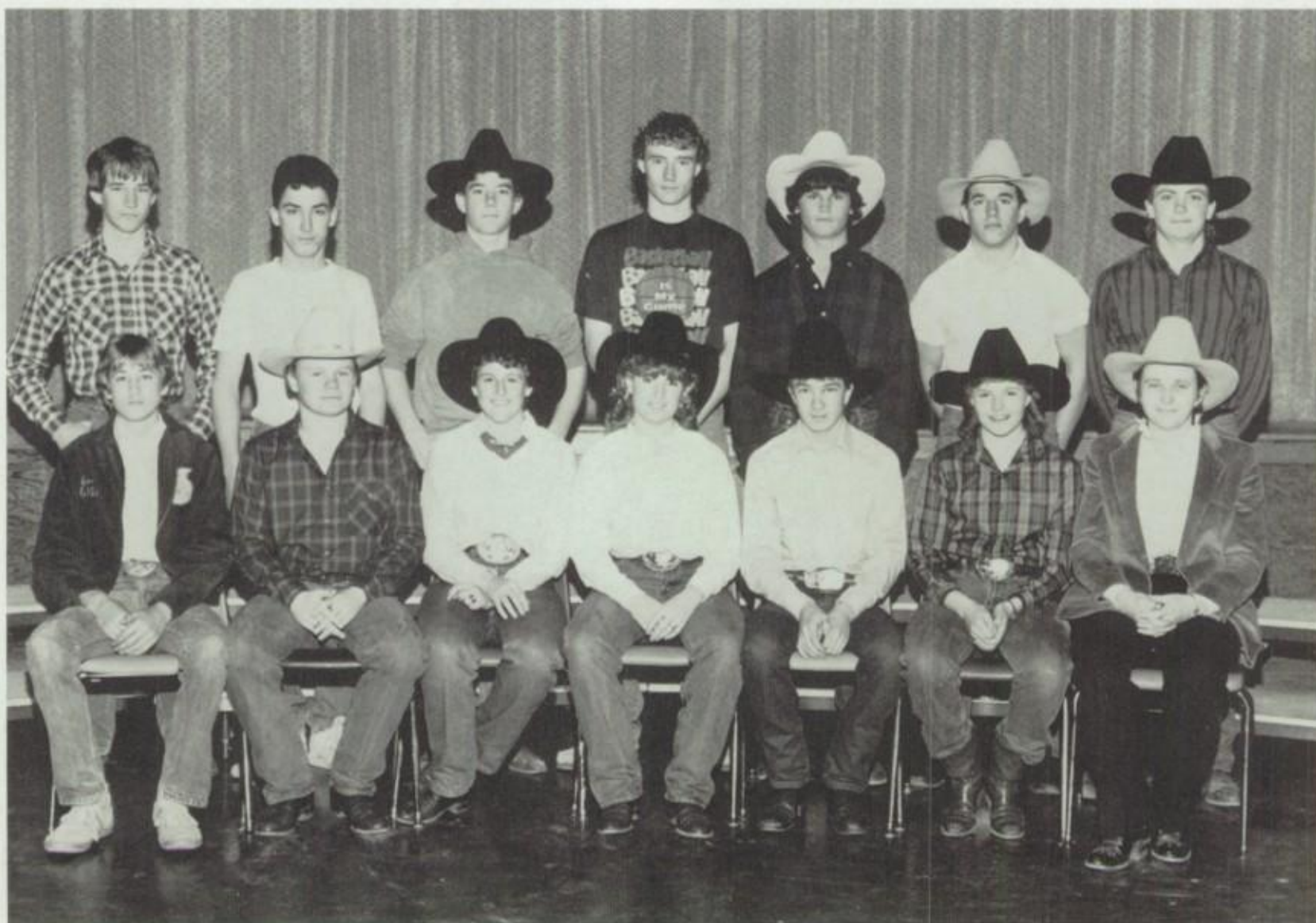


Front Row, L to R: Jerrod Simon, Tonja Timm, LaRay Martindale, Stephanie Harless, Chad Simon. Middle Row, L to R: Craig Clowdus, Kim Whitehead, Angie Briscoe, Karyn Beck. Back Row, L to R: Dusty Cloud, Kay Spieker, Angie Hutson, Kim Dykes, Joanna Carnes.



Left: Chad Simon showing his shorthorn steer. Above Left: Joanna Carnes in the pen with her pig. Above: Tonja Timm and her champion Shropshire sheep.

RODEO



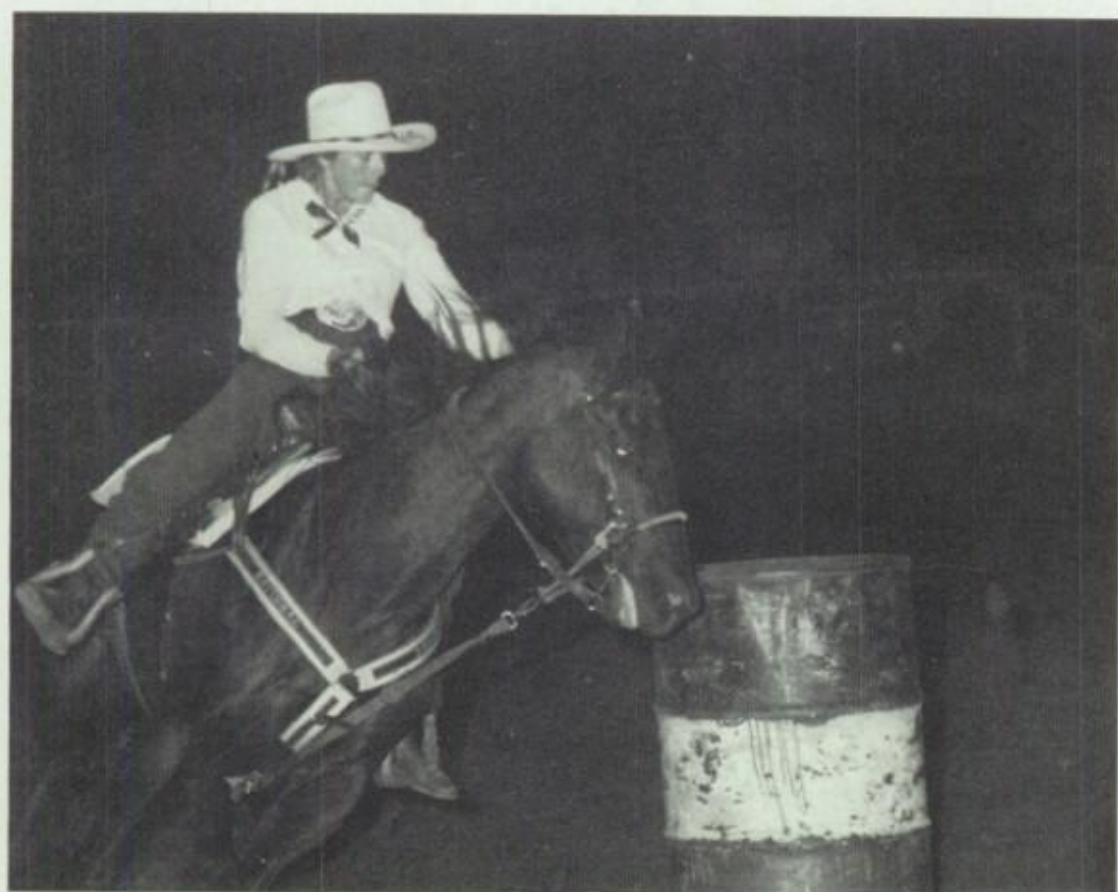
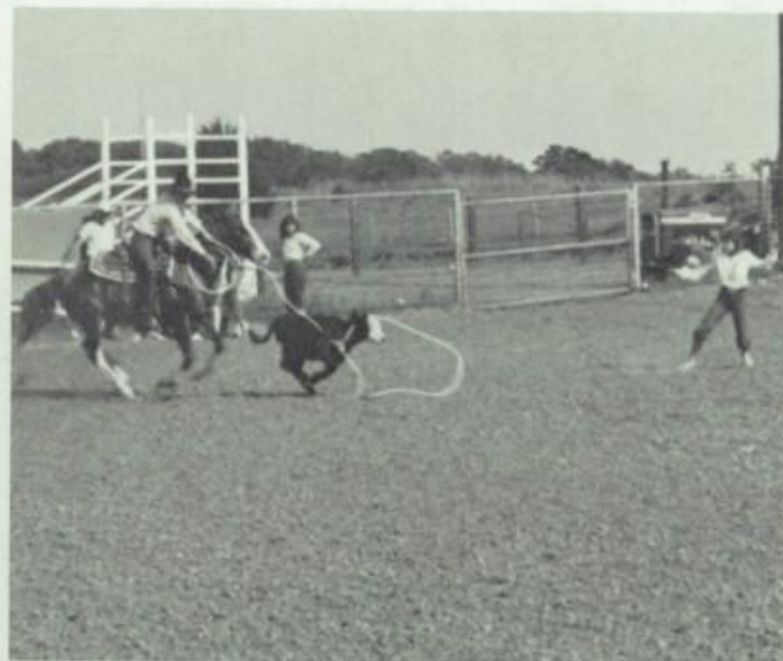
Top Row, L to R: David Hall, Kelly Beck, J. D. Leffew, Darron Patton, Barry Barnett, Jimbo Finley, Jim Ed Noblitt. Bottom Row, L to R: Bo Hall, Dusty Cloud, Sheri Spillers, Sherry Givens, Steve Howe, Gina Thetford, Sponsor — Mrs. Plummer. Not Pictured: Tracy Jordan.



J. D. competing at the Tri-State Rodeo.



Steve riding a bronc.



Upper Left: Sheri winning first place at the Dumas, TX, Tri-State Rodeo in the breakaway roping. Upper Right: Jim Ed Noblitt in the Ribbon Roping at the Norman, OK M.R.C.A. Rodeo. Middle: Sheri Spillers working at what she does best. Lower Left: David Hall and his partner in the Team Roping. Lower Right: Tracie Jordan waiting patiently to make her next run.



Vo-Tech



Top Row, L to R: Tammy Lewis, Brian Millirons, Craig Clowdus, Nolan Thornton. Bottom Row, L to R: Tonja Timm, Kevin Cox, Scotty Joyce, David Hall, Laura Eichelberger. Not Pictured: Tony Blackmon, and Dan Hunter.



Nolan in Carpentry.



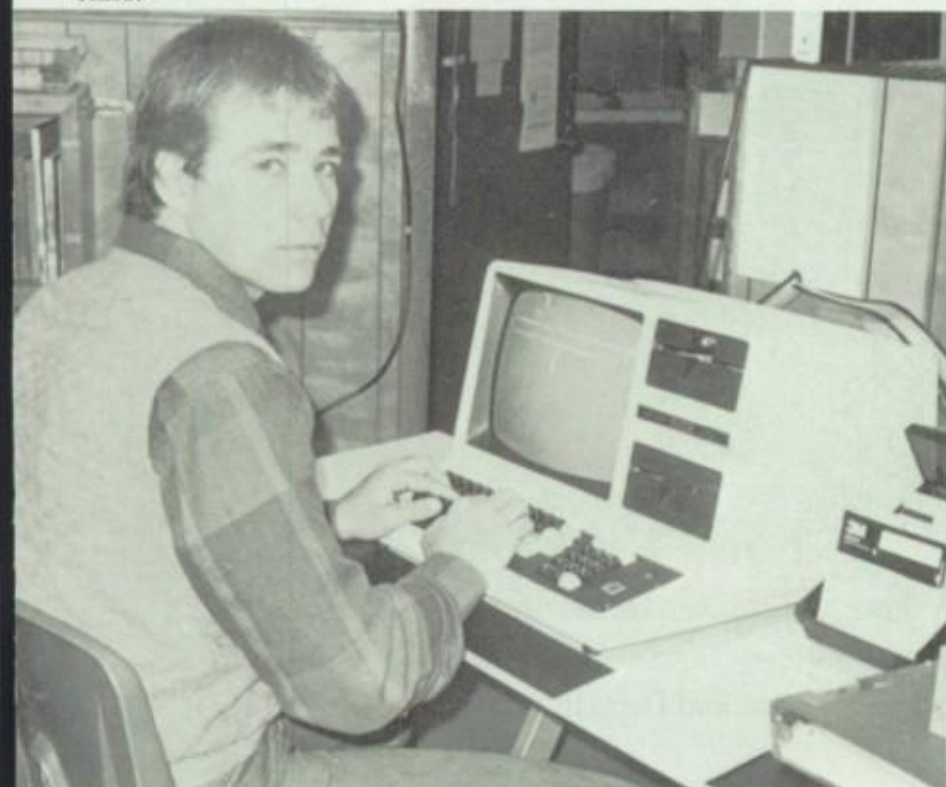
Kevin in Meat Processing.



Tammy and Laura waiting for the bus to take them to Cosmetology class.



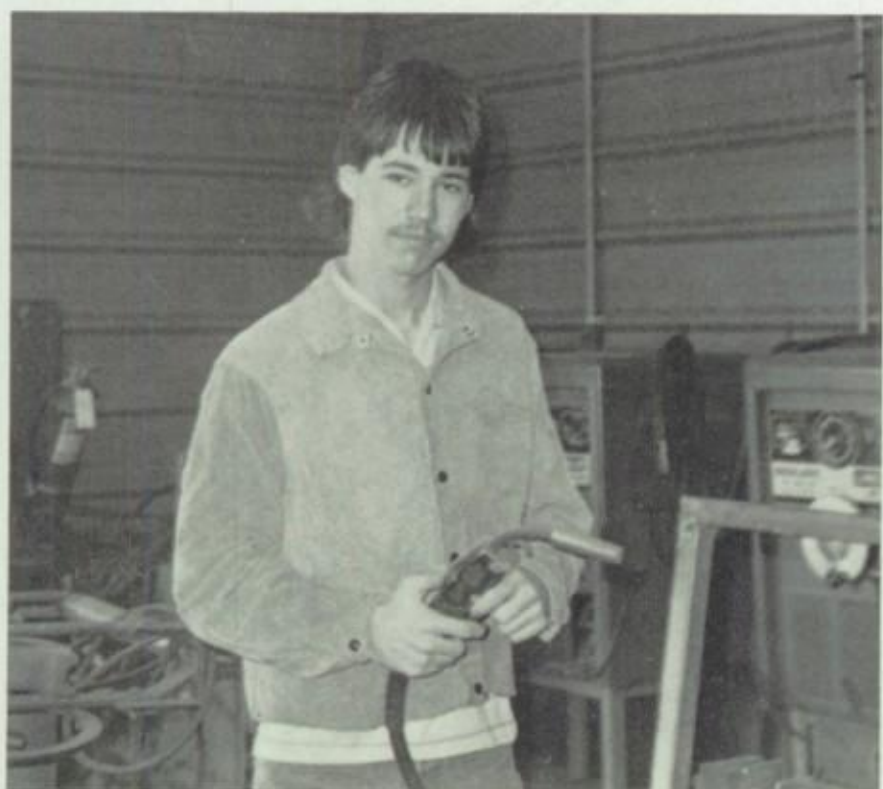
Dan working in Electronics.



Craig working on his computer assignment.



Tonja getting hot packs ready in Health Careers.



Brian working on his welding project.

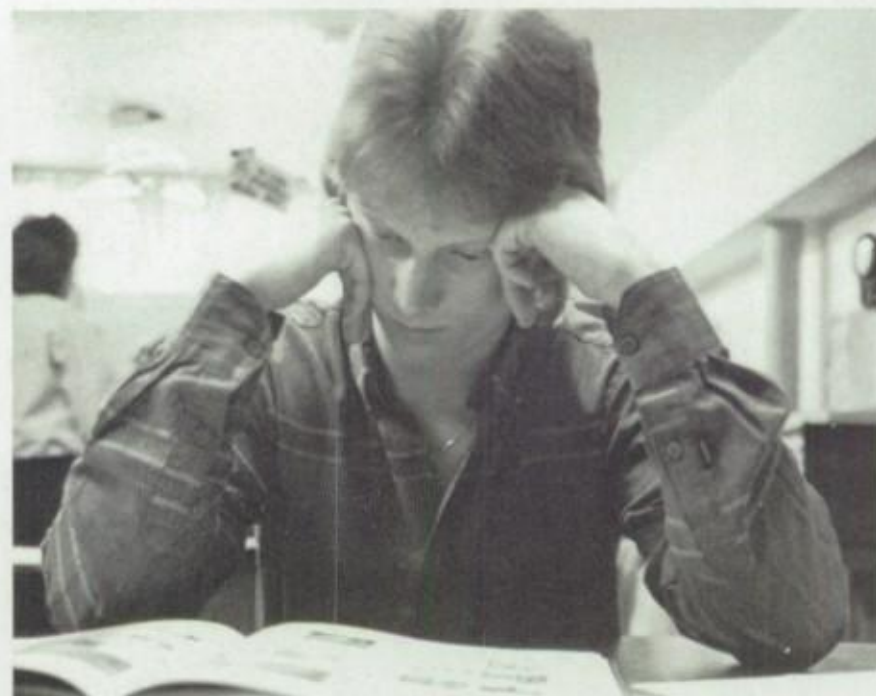


David and Tony checking out a truck in Auto Body.

Annual Staff



Front Row, Left to Right: Michael Harless, Sherry Givens, Sheri Spillers, Michelle Larson, Shelly Coats, Mrs. Thompson, Sponsor. Second Row, Left to Right: Kristy Gore, Jessica Hancock, Cindy Cline, Tammy Justus, Glenna Mincher, Kim Whitehead, Kay Spieker.



Left: Shelley Doss, looking for just the right negative. Above: Tim working hard on his reports.



Left: Michelle focusing her picture before printing. Below: Shelley, Cindy, Melanie, Mecca, and Sheri snacking on our free day.



Above: Tracy, Kristy, Sherry, Michael, Glenna, and Michelle playing Trivia Pursuit on our free day. Right: Tracy Olson working hard to meet his deadline.



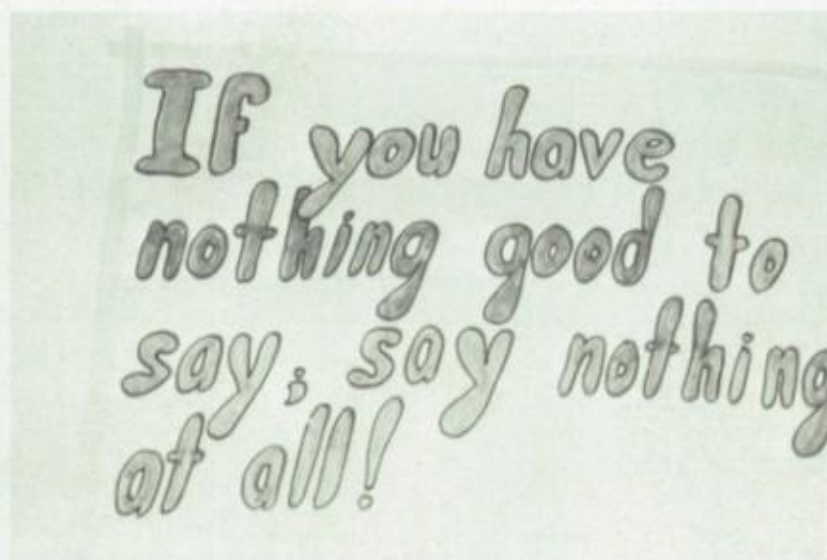
High School A "85 r "86" t



Above, William, Blackie, Kendall and Steve trying to figure out something to draw. Top Right, Pat's busy on an art project. Right, Pat, William, Blackie, Kendall and Steve enjoy drawing outdoors. Below, Pat's taking time out of his busy schedule to pose for a picture. Bottom Left, Martin's trying to be a model for the art class. Bottom Right, Sherri's helping Mrs. Plummer watch the art class.



Below: Martin and Tracy taking a breather after a hard project in art. Center: Sheri and Mrs. Plummer keeping an eye on the class. Far Right: Steve's busy on an iron-on project in art.



Far Left: Steve's pointing at his subject. Left: Mrs. Plummer's favorite rule. Below Left: Jake and Pat deciding what to draw. Below Right: Donald, Jake and Pat working in art.



High School Music



Front Row, Left to Right: Y. Craig, L. Eichelberger, B. Wright, M. Anspaugh, C. Webb, J. Carnes, K. Dykes. Back Row, Left to Right: S. Harless, M. Cerda, B. Grybowski, T. Lewis, J. McLemore, M. Murray.



The music class rehearsing for their "Freedom Bound."



Mecca, Tammy, Melanie and Becky waiting for something to do.

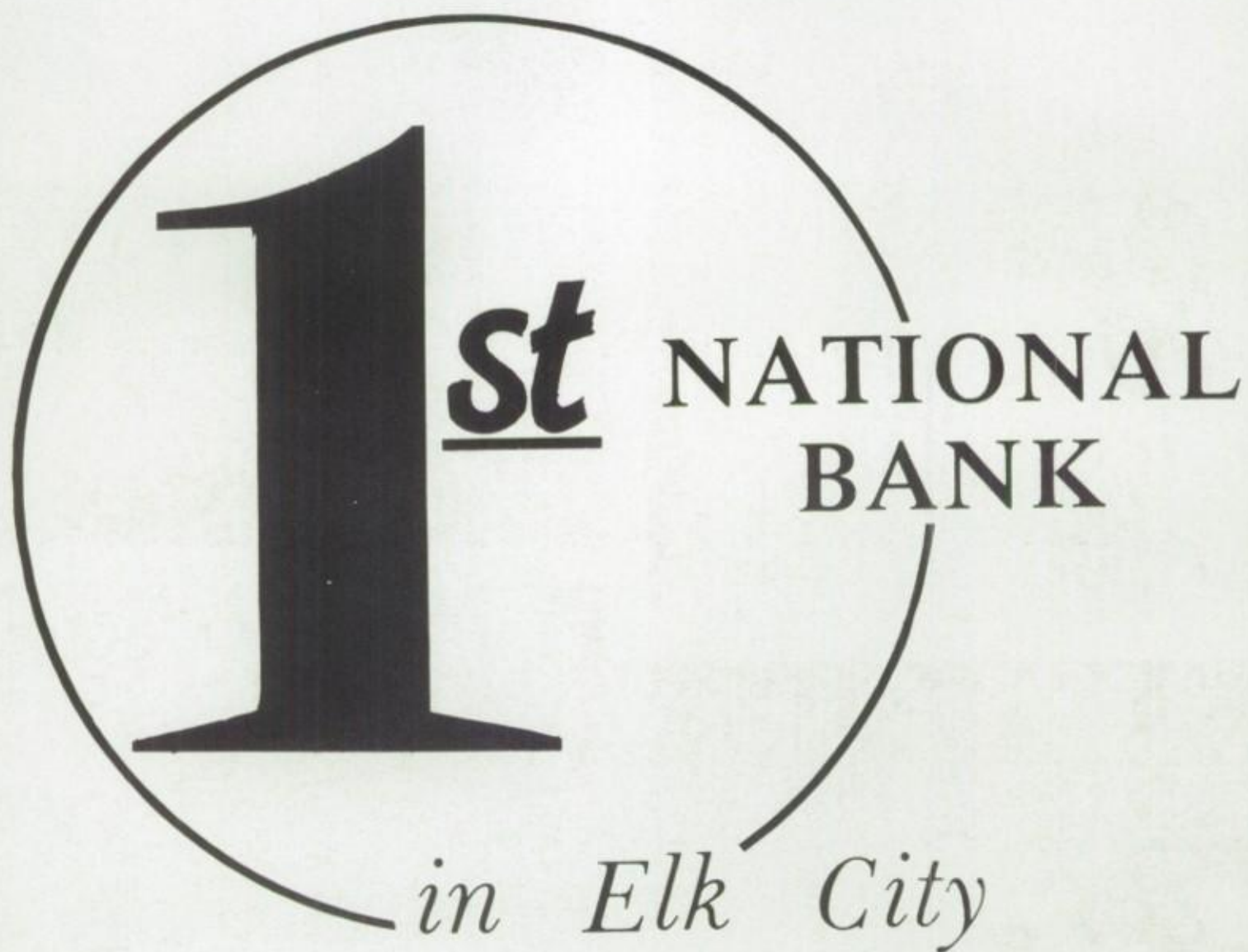


Right, Becky Wright and Chrisana Webb had high school solos at Five-County Music Contest. Lower Right, Becky and Kenneth telling everyone how to say their part. Bottom Left, The whole gane singing their favorite song.

At the spring Five-County Music Contest the H.S. Chorus won first place overall.

The eighth grade through twelfth grade music departments participated in the musical "Freedom Bound."





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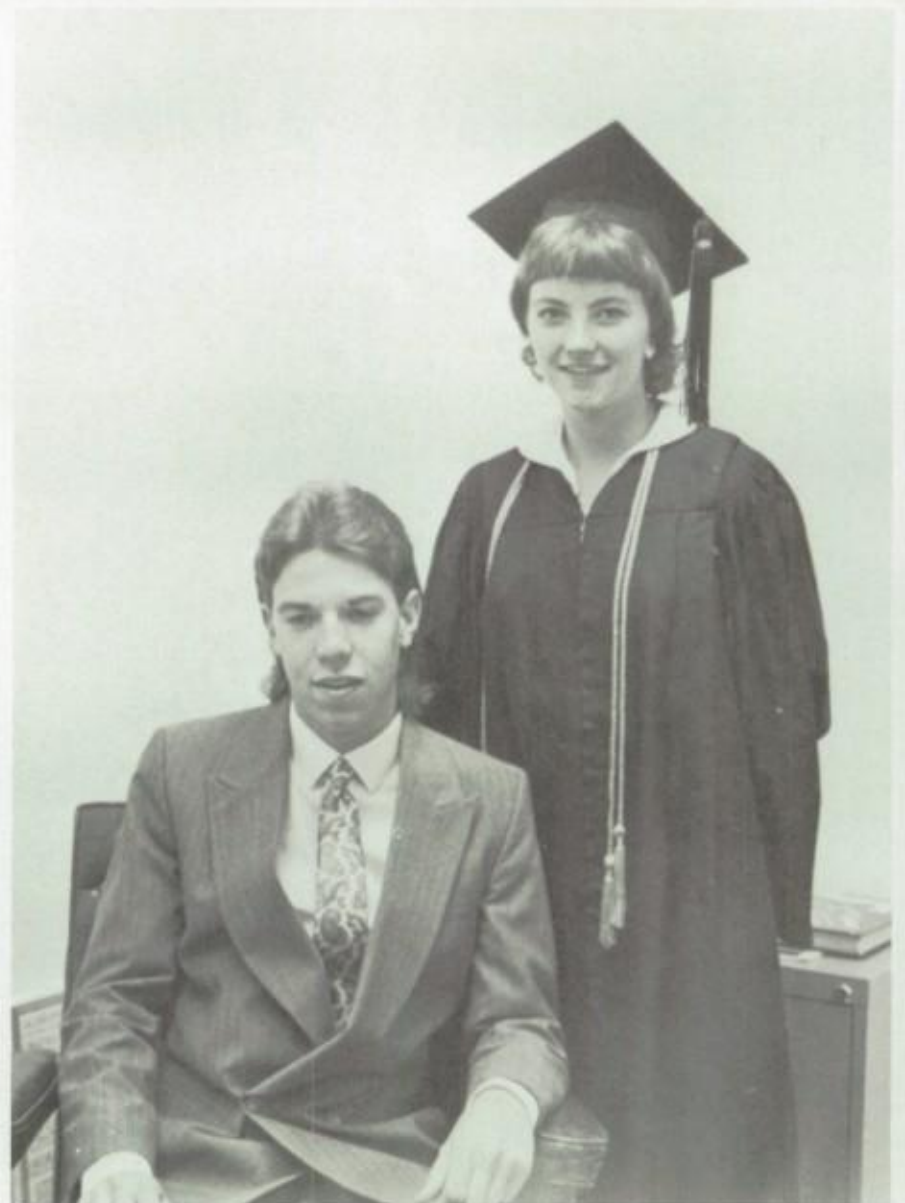
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Special Time



Pictured here is Merritt's special time. Above Left: Jessica was honored for receiving 2nd place in the V.F.W. Voice of Democracy speech contest at awards assembly. Above Right: Seniors having fun on their senior trip. Center Left: These seniors are enjoying themselves at the Junior Senior Banquet. Above: Seniors waiting to march in for graduation. Left: Decorating Junior Senior Prom sure made the Juniors proud of themselves.

AWARDS



Upper Left: Michelle Larson won 1st place locally in the V.F.W. Voice of Democracy Essay Contest and won 4th in state. Upper Right: Amy Jones and Brad Lookingbill won the Masonic Awards. Left: Amy Jones and Mickey Wright were given the Armed Services Awards. Above: Becky Wright was awarded the Fine Arts Award.



TEACHER of the YEAR

Merideth Ross was named Merritt teacher of the year for the 1985-86 school year. Mrs. Ross has completed her seventh year at Merritt where she teaches Junior English, Senior English and Computer Programming. Her other teaching experience includes three years at Hobert, Oklahoma and two years at Beaver, Oklahoma. She has served on the staff development committee, textbook committee, carnival committee, and the scholarship committee for Merritt school. She was an outstanding addition to the Merritt teaching staff. All of the students have really grown to like her a lot. The Students like her so much, we've given her a nickname, "OGRE!" Just try to figure that one out! Mrs. Ross lives west of Sayre with her husband Mike and her two children, Jason and Micah.



Above Left: Tracy Olson, a Senior, was given the Art Award. He received it from Mrs. Plummer, the High School Art teacher. Above Right: Nolan Thorton was awarded the Citizenship Award and he also won an OSU — Vo-Tech Award. Both of these Senior Boys have been outstanding students at Merritt High School. The annual staff wishes them the best of luck in the years to come, as well as the rest of the students who won awards and were given scholarships.

Junior — Senior Banquet

"A Touch of Class"

Top: The Senior girls enjoying the banquet.
Center Left: Amy and Darron giving the class history.
Lower Left: Paul Beach was the entertainment.



Above: Pikey Word, Senior class president.



Above: Tim and Mark giving the class will.



Upper: Shane and Regina serving at the banquet. Upper Left: Stephanie, Kim, and Brad — Junior class officers. Center Left: Melanie and Mecca giving the class prophecy. Center: The Senior boys together one more time. Lower Left: The better half of the Junior class.



PROM

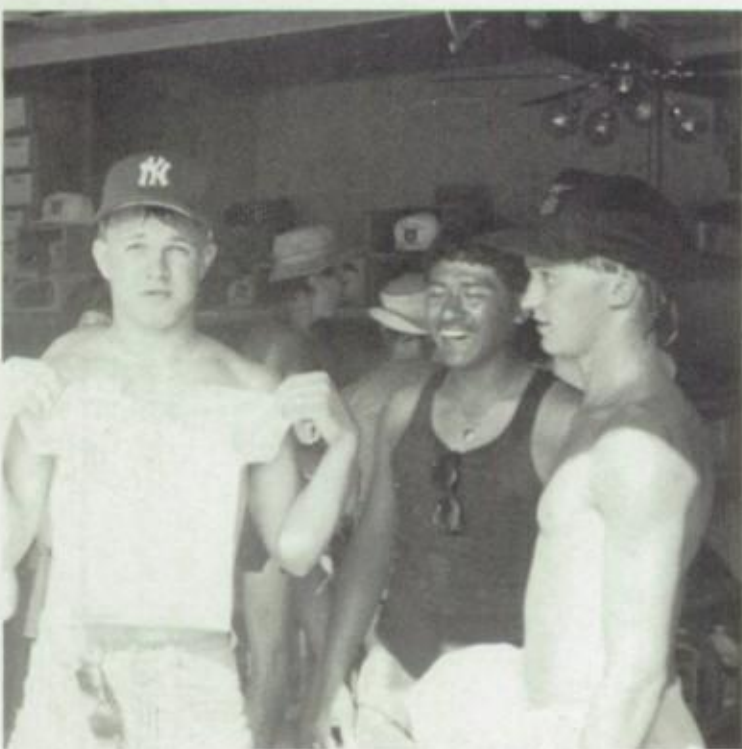


Upper Left: We did it! It's finally finished! Upper Right: Darron just can't dance without his shades. Dark or not. Left: Tracy and Amy showing us their "Touch of Class". Above: LaDonna, Tonja, and Jan stopping on their way across the bridge to get their picture taken. What a memorable night!



Upper Left: This D.J. really gets down and into his work. Upper Right: Kristy and Dusty, don't they look cute? Center Left: OH! You guys are so silly! Left: Michael and his date, Lana Stewart, are trying out the fantastic bridge. Above: Mr. T. is keeping his "Eagle Eye" open for everyone, but took a short break to pose for Mrs. T., who was behind the camera at the prom.

Senior Trip '86



These two pages are here as a collection of memories for our seniors. We hope these pictures will stir the memories of their last time together as the graduating class of 1986.



GRADUATION



Top Left: Amy Jones and Jan Roberts, Co-Valedictorians of the graduating class. Top Right: Melanie Anspaugh and Jerrod Simon, Co-Salutatorians of the graduating class. Above: Becky Wright and Darron Patton, both received the Merritt Education Association Award. Above Right: Seniors getting ready for graduation. Right: The Graduating Class of "86".

TIME

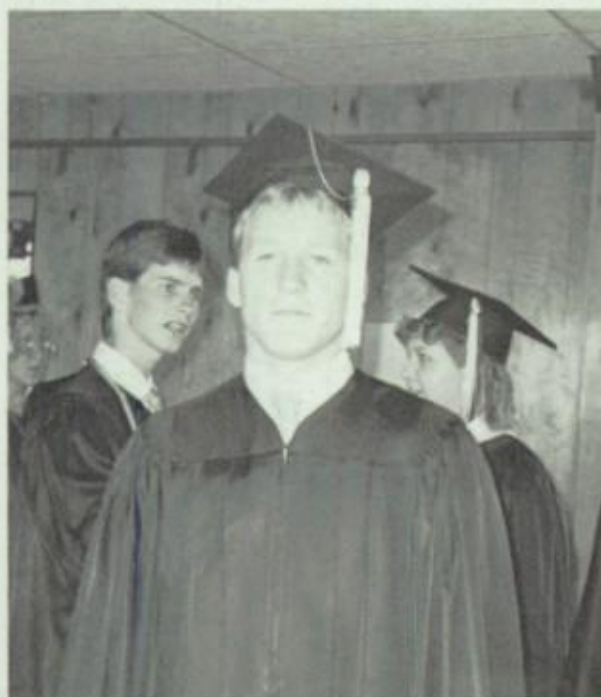
Time is past which we cannot change.

Time is present which we live and fulfill our lives.

Time is future which we hope for the happiness we seek.

Time is life which we share with others and learn from our experiences.





Top Left: Glenna, Craig, Michele, and Shelley visit before graduation. Top Right: Jerrod Simon received the Elk City Lady's Petroleum Club Scholarship, and Tim Marshall received the Elk City Jaycees Scholarship. Above Left: Mickey Wright received the Anthony Potter Memorial Scholarship. Above: LaDonna Mullins received the Marge Gurley Memorial Scholarship. Above: Seniors lined up for graduation. Left: The senior boys try to relax at rehearsal.

Congratulations Seniors



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Middle School Free TIME



Students in the Middle School have free time to do things from telling stories, visiting, and enjoying their free time. A favorite pastime for the Middle School is decorating their lockers with pictures and posters. They will also occasionally pose for a picture for the yearbook.

Eighth Grade

Beth Anspaugh
Jennifer Bandy



Johnny Blackmon
Craig Booth
Melissa Bowen
Richie Brock
Andrea Brown
Christy Bruening



Darrin Craig
Dennis Ferguson
Cathy Harris
Candy Higgins
Johnny Hoffman
Sidney Hoover



Regina Humphries
Jeremy Ingram
Chad Joyce
Charles Keevert
Kenny Lancaster
Randy Loyd



Brian Miller
John Myers
Larren Odom
Chad Osborne
Tobie Shreves
Joanna Simms



Gary Smith
Bridget Taylor
Kevin Tew
Sheila Tillman
Kristina Ward
Jennifer Womack



Compliments of: SHORT STOP PIZZA



The Eighth graders are at the top of the middle school. Their graduation will mark the end of an old road and the beginning of a new one. Their new road will lead them to high school where they will be learning and seeing new things. In high school they will have new experiences, make new friends, as well as keeping old friends. Top Left picture: CLASS OFFICERS — Charles Keevert, President; Tobie Shreves, Vice-President; Kevin Tew, Treasurer and Secretary. Center Left: Dennis F. , Johnny H., Darrin C., Chad O. are working hard in English. Center Right: Mr. Richardson is teaching his class. Lower Left: Mrs. Lapeyrouse adds interest to science with magazines. Lower Right: Tobie is having a hard time figuring out a problem.



Seventh Grade

Jason Albert
Sherise Alford
Delisa Ballou
Mickey Bashaw
Shannon Blanken
Robert Bray



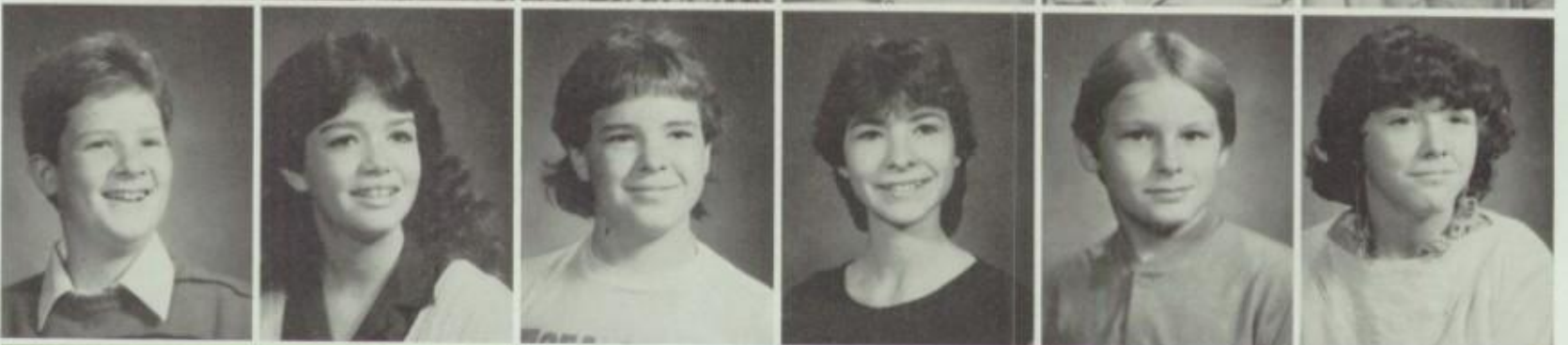
Charity Carter
Kathi Copeland
Patty Davis
Mark Fletcher
Amy Gibbons
James Hancock



Sheri Harmon
Ryan Jay
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Toby Leffew
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Sandra Loyd



Shane Mackey
Laura Marshall
Jimmie McMasters
Crystal Millirions
James Moler
Cynthia Mullins



Donna Nabors
Charlynn Noble
Sherlyn Noble
Chuck Nogosek
Stacy Oldham
Bobby Pack



Shelly Prather
Brian Richardson
Jennifer Seigrist
Kirstin Sessions
Jana Shirley
Gina Smith



Below Left: Charlynn Noble, Lesley Welch, Gina Smith, and Eddie Terriaco are friends forever. Below Right: Tobie Leffew and Jody Loyd work hard at the computer. Right: Eddie Terriaco makes a hasty retreat.



Above: James Hancock smiling at a private joke. Left: Seventh grade "say cheese" for the camera.



Squirt Starnes
Brandy Stewert
Billie Stillwell
Rhonda Taylor
Eddie Terriaco
Christal Turner

Lesley Welch
Steve Wehrenberg
Shawn White
Shelly White
Mykl Wood
Brad Zimms

Sixth Grade

Kristy Ackley
Becky Adkerson
Dammon Anderson
Randy Barnett
Laura Beason
Jarrod Brown



John Cherry
Mindy Cox
Tabatha Cupp
Shawn DaGarmo
Tonya Dilley
Lisa Earnest



J. L. Gibbons
Chad Goodin
Kevin Gray
Tonya Green
Dean Ham
Brandy Hendrix



Jeremy Hill
Brian Humphries
Charles Humphries
Janet Jarnagin
Billy Jones
Kimberly Kuntz



Mike Ledbetter
Lonnie McHenry
Terry McSpitt
Frank Murray
Cyndi Odom
Tammy Patton



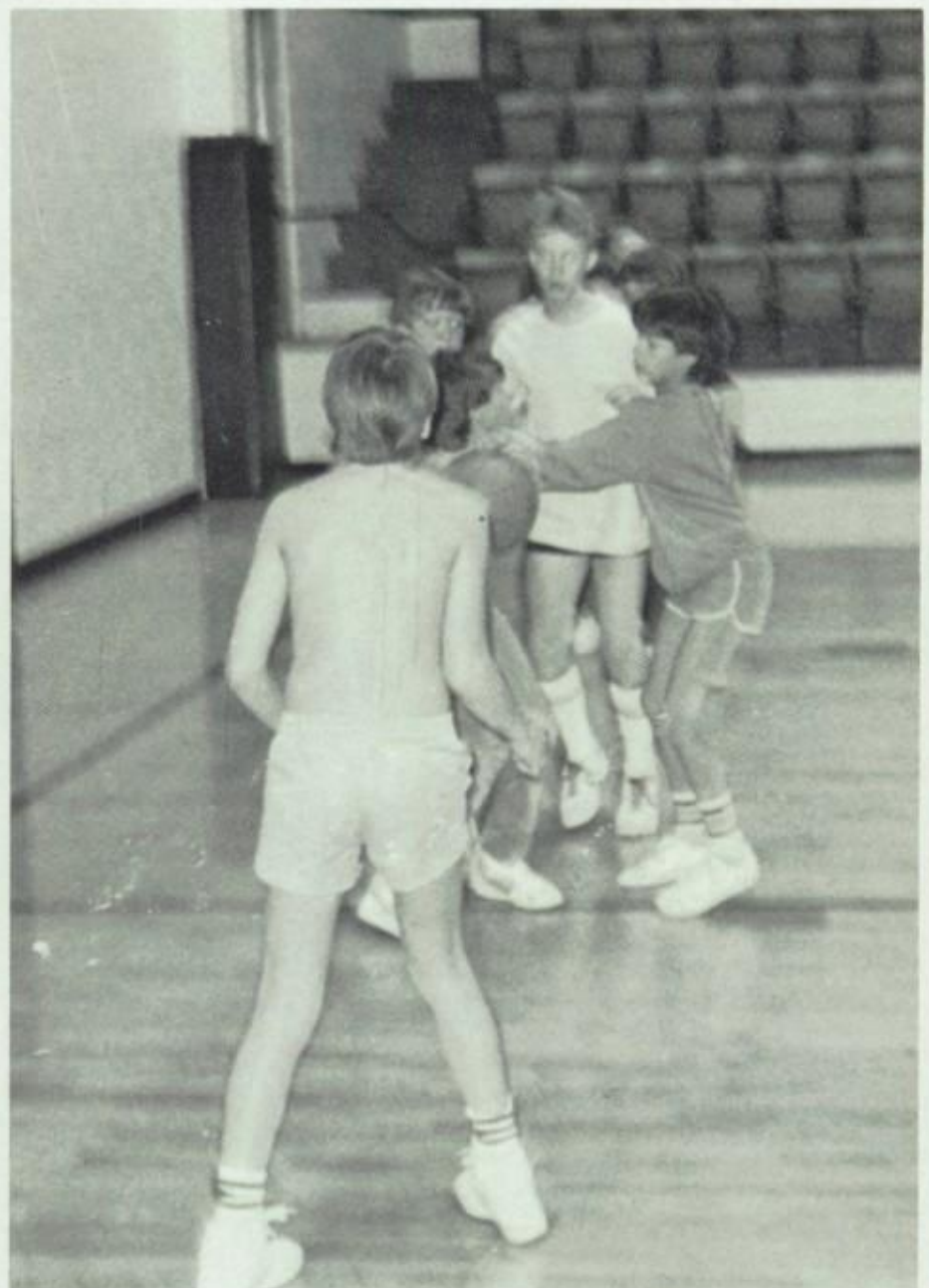
David Pruitt
Jason Radtke
Billy Samuels
Michelle Seigrist
Kyle Stewart
Jonathan Swisher



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Top Left: Tonya Dilley and Janet Jarnagin practicing up for that big game coming up. Center: David Pruitt, Frank May, Jeremy Hill, Charles Humphries, and Kevin Gray keeping score for the 6th grade boys. Below: Here are just a few of the guys playing a little old-fashioned basketball. Lower Left: Looks like Watching is the best way to learn.



Danny Teel
Lori Thorton



Elizabeth Valenzuela
John Ware
Rebecca Webb
Jason Williams
Michael Womack
Shorty Woods

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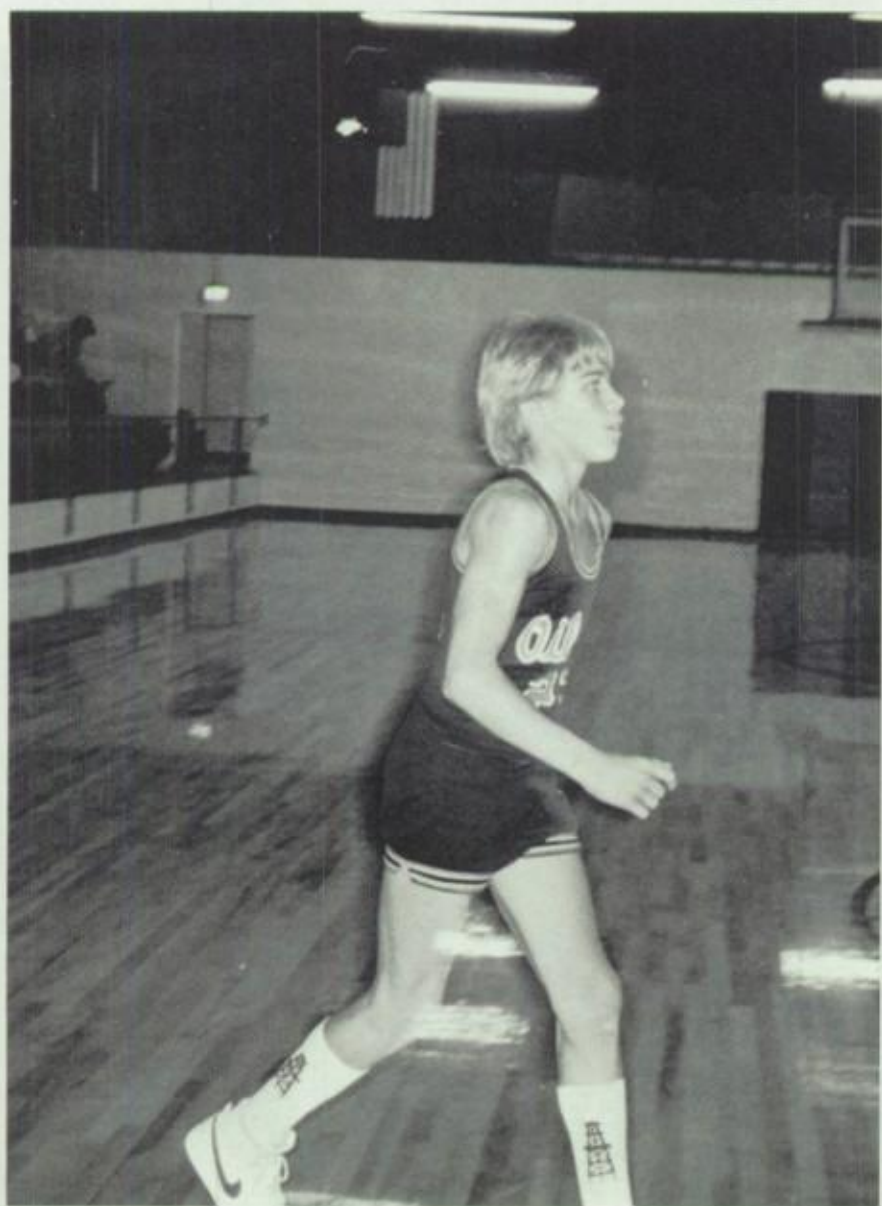
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Jr. High Sports



Junior High Sports is more of a learning period and a stepping stone to high school sports than just a time to worry about winning all of the time. We should all take time out to recognize the younger Oilers and be proud that they will be our next generation of Merritt Oilers.



Upper Left: Darrin Craig on the court. He is an Eighth grader and plays various sports. Above: The Merritt Junior High Football team made a great tackle. Way to go guys! Left: Brian Richardson just made that hand-off to Mike El Assi. This is at the Merritt home track meet. The Junior High Track team did very well this year at home as well as away.

Jr. High Football



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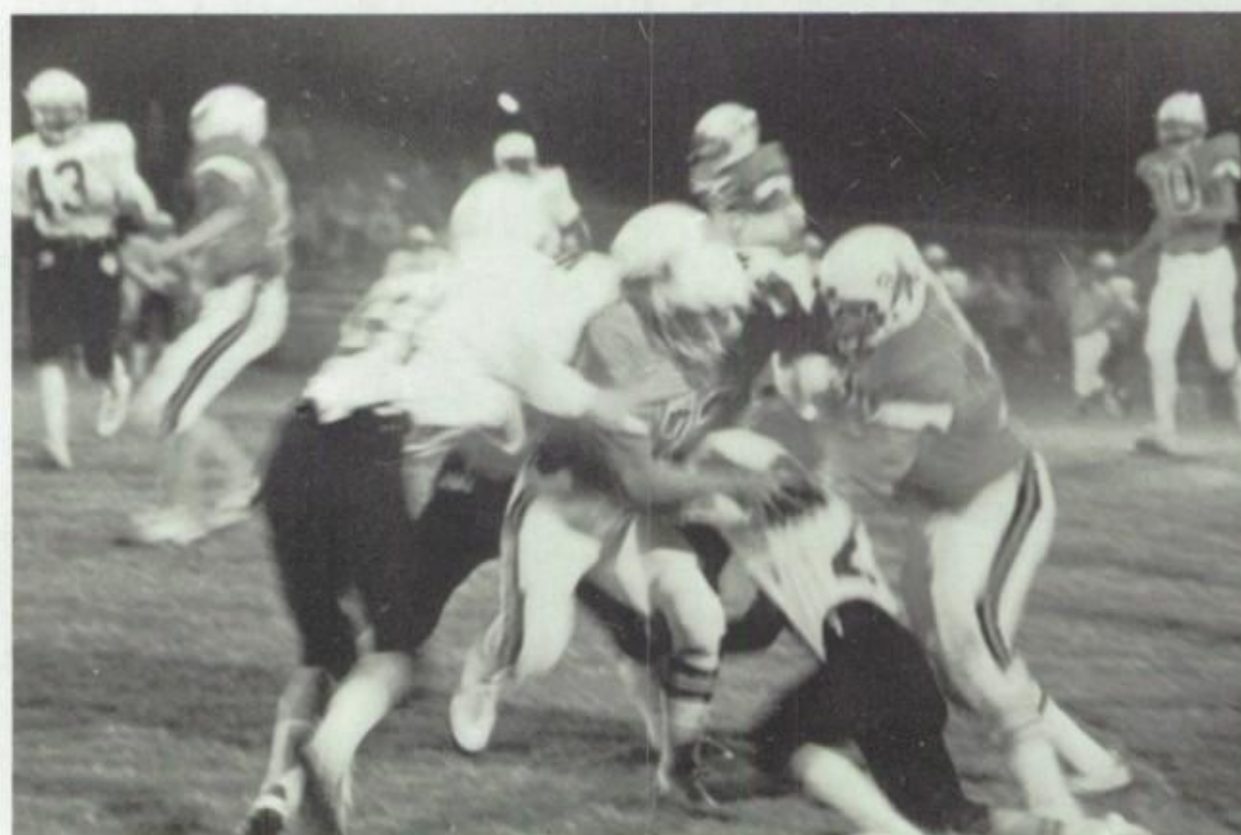
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Sept. 10	Mt. View —	Home
Sept. 17	Geary —	Home
Sept. 24	Burns Flat —	Home
Oct. 3	Erick —	There
Oct. 8	Sayre —	There
Oct. 15	Snyder —	Home
Oct. 22	Lone Wolf —	There
Oct. 29	Hollis —	Home

COACHES
Blaine Stone
Rick Chalenburgh
Robert Duvall



Top: Show that awesome Oiler Defense!!

Bottom: It takes a lot of work to bring down an Oiler.



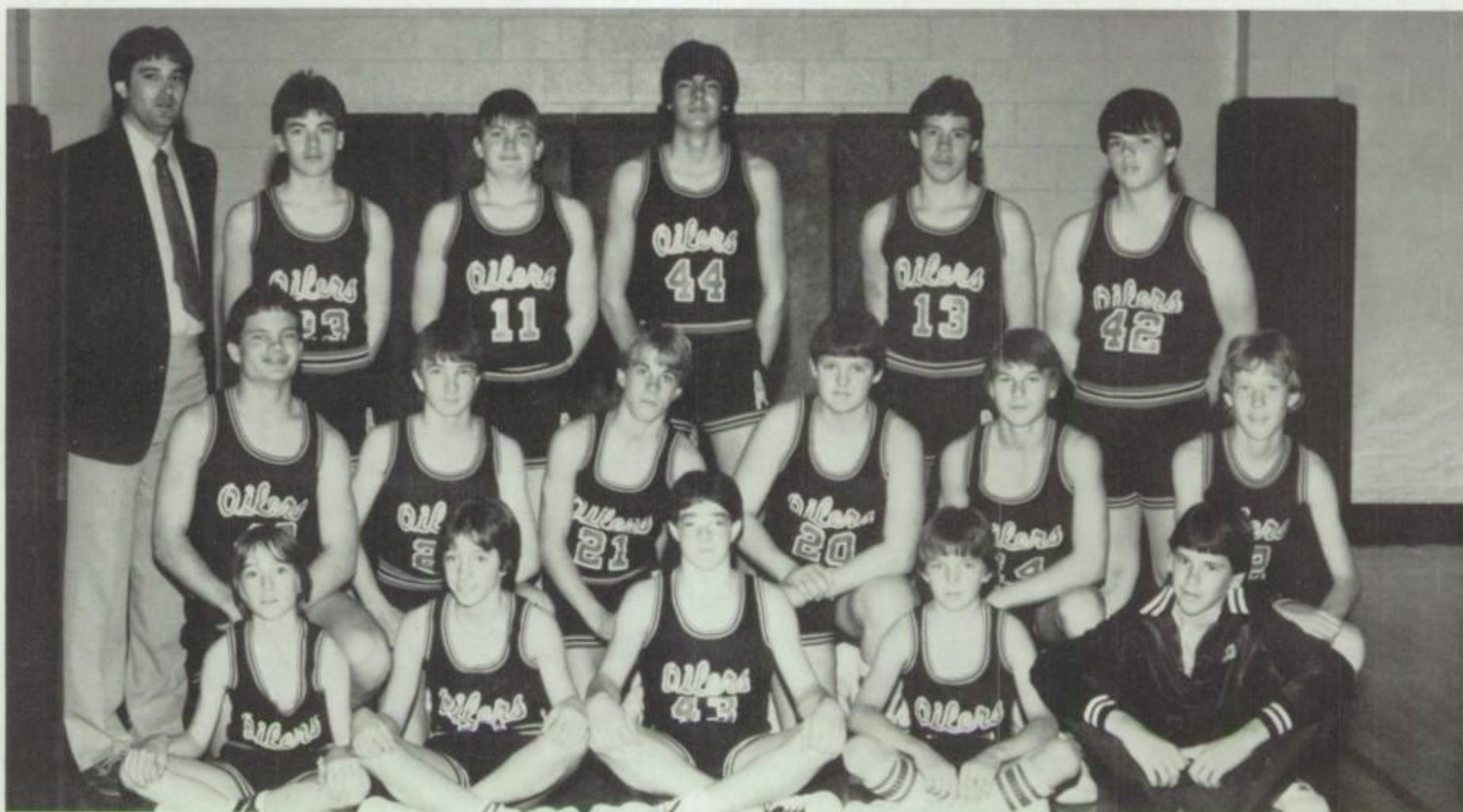


Top Row: Coach Duvall, B. Hall, D. Buckner, J. Harkins, H. Stewart, D. Jones, R. Ward, M. McSperitt, P. Gifford, J. Noblitt, C. Osborne, Coach Stone. Middle Row: J. McMaster, L. Whitely, D. Craig, B. Carnes, C. Henley, J. Leffew, T. Leffew, J. Hoffman, J. Loyd, R. Brock. Bottom Row: Coach Chalenburg, B. Richardson, W. Morrison, J. Hancock, M. Bashaw, B. Zimms, S. White, C. Booth, J. Albert, R. Lee, J. Moler.



Another yard accomplished!

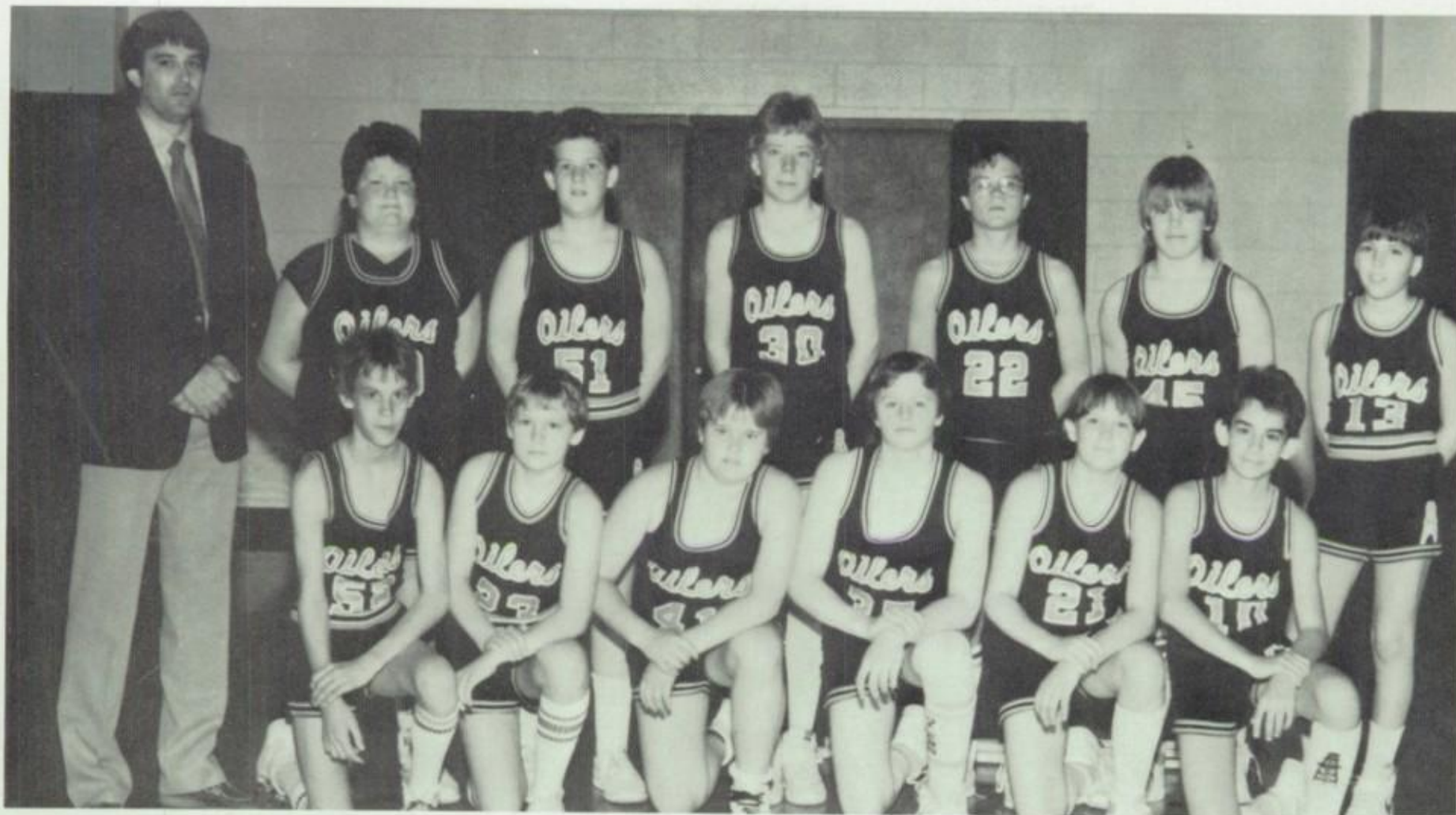
Jr. High Basketball



Top Row, Left: Coach Duvall, Mark Fletcher, Shane Mackey, Toby Leffew, Jodie Loyd, James Hancock, Brad Zimms. Front Row, Left: Ryan Jay, James Moler, Jason Albert, Brian Richardson, Mickey Bashaw, Eddie Terriaco.



Top Row, Left: Charity Carter, Christal Turner, Amy Gibbons, Patty Davis, Shannon Blanken, Jennifer Seigrist, Laura Marshall, Sherisse Alford. Front Row, Left: Misty Shelton, Stacy Oldham, Sherlynn Noble, Squirt Starnes, Jana Shirley, Charlynn Noble, Brandi Stewart, Donna Nabors.



Back Row: Coach Duvall, Ty Monty, Jim Ed Noblitt, David Jones, Mike McSperitt, Chad Osborne. Second Row: Paul Gifford, Steve Howe, Darrin Craig, Brian Miller, Johnny Huffman, Doug Patton. Seated: Johnny Blackmon, Kevin Tew, Buddy Carnes, Jeremy Ingram, Jim Harkins.



Back Row: Tamra Walker, Autumn DeGarmo, Jennifer Bandy, Coach Mulkey, Andrea Brown, Lezlie Whitehead, Beth Anspaugh. Front Row: Debbie Buie, Tobie Shreves, Becky Bashaw, Kelly Orr, Jeanna Thetford, Tina Shreves, Dana Maddox, Kandra Freas.



Jr. High Track



Front Row: Dana Maddox, Debbie Buie, Toby Shreeves, Kandra Freas, Jennifer Seigrest, Jana Shirley, Christy Bruening. Back Row: Coach Chalenburg, Andrea Brown, Autumn DeGarmo, Jeanne Thetferd, Jennifer Bandy, Andrea Sladek, Kristina Ward.



Front Row: Buddy Carnes, Steven Howe, Jeremy Ingram, Jason Albert, Brian Richardson, James Moler, Kevin Tew, Mike McSperitt, Paul Gifford. 2nd Row: Randy Loyd, James Hancock, Casey Coats, Shane Newman, Mickey Bashaw, Jeffery Rippey, Richie Brach. 3rd Row: Coach Stone, Jim Ed Noblitt, Heath Stewart, Jackie Frost, Curtis Henley, Scott Whittmeyer, Brian Miller, Johnny Hoffman. 4th Row: Coach Duvall, Mike El Assi, David Jones, Larry Whitely, Robert Lee, Steveie Force, Chad Osborne.



Left: Mike El Assi received his hand-off from Brian Richardson and is trying to win the relay race held at Merritt's Junior High Track Meet. Below Left: Kandra uses all the stamina available in her body to try to win her and her teammates' relay race at Weatherford. Below Right: Beth helps Andrea Stretch her legs before the race.



Far Left: David Jones leads the pack in his relay race at LaVerne. Near Left: Mike McSperitt not only jumps his hurdle; but a fallen one too.

Jr. High Cheerleaders

The Junior High Cheerleaders of the "85-86" school year have been great supporters of the Junior High teams. They have been at every game giving their time to cheer the teams on to victory, even in the face of defeat, they were still there giving their support to the teams. It is hard work to prepare for pep assemblies and games. We want to congratulate the cheerleaders for the fine work they have done this year.



Top Right: We find Delisa interested in what the others are talking about. Top Left: We see the cheerleaders deciding what cheer to do next. Above: Shows Christy interested in the game while Delisa is talking to the others. Left: We see Christy, Kirsten, and Delisa giving the team all their support.



Far Left: Delisa Ballou. Left: Christy Worley.
Below: Delisa, Christy, Kirsten, Jeanna, and Krystal.



Kirsten Sessions



Jeanna Smith



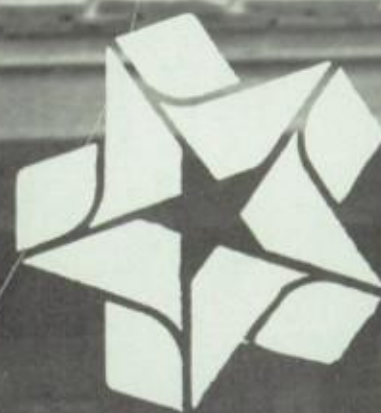
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Middle School Speech



Above: The Middle School students placed First at the Five-County Speech Contest held in Cheyenne. First Row: Candy Higgins, Cathy Shropshire, Mykl Wood, Brandi Stewart, and Stacy Oldham. Back Row: Sherisse Alford, Laura Marshall, Andrea Brown, Jennifer Bandy, and Amy Gibbons. Right: First Row: Danny Teel, Randy Barnett, and Janet Jarnigan. Back Row: Jerrod Brown, Laura Beason, and Lisa Earnest all participated in the Five-County Speech Contest.

The Middle School has done very well in Speech this year. Also, they are anticipating going to High School to achieve even greater goals. We are very proud of the Middle School's achievements.



Middle School Music



Junior High School music students participated in 5-County Music Contest with solos. Below: Jennifer Bandy — 1, Jodie Ackley — 1, Catherine Harris — 2, Cathy Shropshire — 2, Tobie Shreves — 1. Left: Bridget Taylor in the Christmas program — she received a place 2 at 5-County.



The sixth and seventh grades presented a musical for Christmas entitled "Computer Christmas". The students above are anxiously awaiting the play to begin. Left: Brian Richardson and Laura Marshall performing their parts well.

Middle School Music



Jr. High Mixed Group received a II+ in 5-county Music Contest. Top Row, Left: D. Ham, J. L. Gibbons, Lisa Earnest, Damon Anderson, Shawn DeGarmo, C. Humphries, J. Brown. Second Row, Left; L. Thornton, B. Anderson, L. Beason, K. Ackley, J. Radtke, C. Odom, T. Cupp, K. Stewart. Third Row, Left: E. Woods, B. Jones, D. Pruitt, M. Seigrist, E. Valenzuela, M. Cox, R. Barnett. Bottom Row, Left: T. Dilley, T. Patton, J. Cherry, S. Maddox, L. McHenry, Kevin Gray, K. Kuntz, J. Jarnagin.



Above, SEVENTH GRADE SOLOS — Shane Mackey, Laura Marshall, Brian Richarson all received a I rating at 5-county Music Contest.



Right, SIXTH GRADE SOLOS — Kyle Stewart and Janet Jarnagin both received II+ at 5-county Music Contest.



Jr. High Mixed Group received a II+ rating in the Five-County Music Contest. Top Row, Left: D. Ferguson, G. Smith, A. Brown, A. Simons, J. Bandy, J. Hoffman, C. Shropshire. Middle Row, Left: S. Tillman, B. Anspaugh, K. Ward, C. Bruening, K. Lancaster, W. Morrison, K. Tew. Bottom Row, Left: T. Shreves, M. Bowen, C. Harris, M. Galimberto, B. Taylor, J. Simms, J. Ackley, Jeremy Ingran.



Fifth and Sixth Grade Girls Chorus received a II-rating in Five-County Music Contest. Top Row, Left: A. Osborne, T. Van Vranken, M. Armstrong, D. Carter, J. Copeland, A. Little, J. Jarnagin, J. Roberts, V. Stanley. Bottom Row, Left: W. Blanken, B. Lancaster, J. Smith, V. Kelly, S. Pettitt, J. Biles, K. Ackley, V. Stanley.



Seventh Grade received a II+ rating in Five-County Music Contest. Top Row, Left: C. Noble, L. Marshall, A. Gibbins, J. Seigrist, S. Blanken, C. Turner, G. Smith. Middle Row, Left: J. Hancock, S. Mackey, T. Leffew, B. Richardson, J. Albert, J. Moler. Bottom Row, Left: S. White, D. Nabors, J. Shirley, K. Sessions, S. Noble, B. Stewart, K. Millirons.

Middle School 4-H



First Row, L to R: Jeremy Hill, Mendy Cox, Lori Thorton, John Ware, Becky Adkerson, Michelle Seigrist, Earl Woods, Randy Barnett, Kim Kuntz. Second Row, L to R: Charlynn Noble, Sherlynn Noble, Jason Radtke, Brian Richardson, Frank Murray, Jarrod Brown, Squirt Starnes, Laura Beason, Donna Nabors. Third Row, L to R: Kristy Ackley, Sherise Alford, Shannon Blanken, Damon Anderson, Jennifer Bandy, Jennifer Seigrist, Lisa Earnest, J. L. Gibbins.



Squirt Starnes and her sheep.

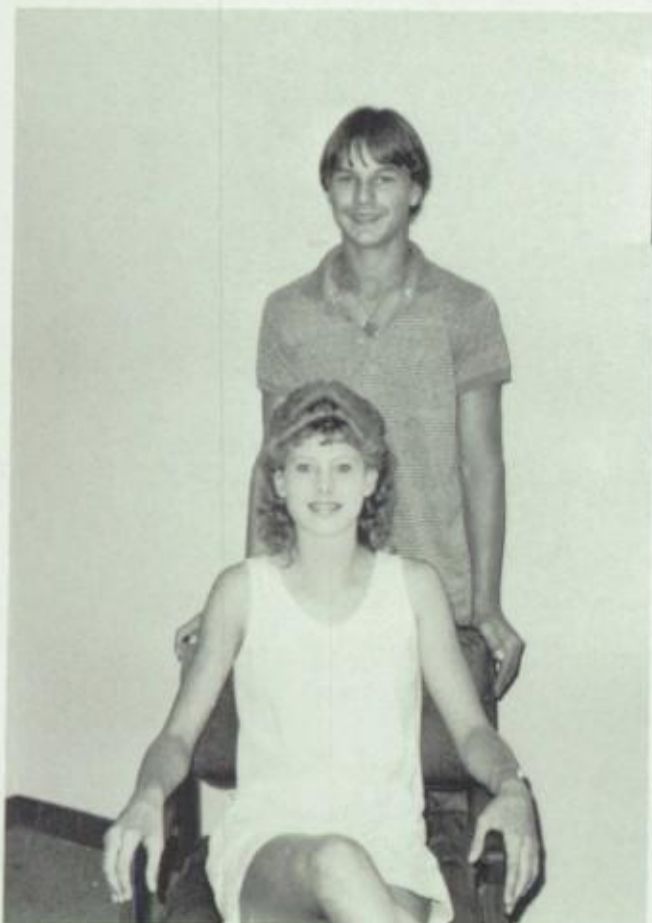


Sidney Hoover and his Shorthorn heifer.



Jennifer Bandy showing her Poland.

Middle School Awards



Top Left: Eighth Grade Valedictorian Andrea Brown and Co-Salutatorians, Beth Anspaugh and Tobie Shreves. Top Right: Middle School Best All-Around Students were Brian Richardson, Andrea Brown, Johnny Hoffman, Danny Teel, Janet Jarnigan, and Amy Gibbons. Above Left: Local Spelling Bee winners were Laura Beason, Randy Barnett, Tammy Patton, and Lisa Earnest. Above center: Local Spelling Bee winners were Tobie Shreves, Jeremy Ingram, Jason Albert, and Christy Bruening. Above: Middle School Talent Show winners were Brian Richardson, Jennifer Bandy, and Joanna Simms. Far Left: Masonic Award winners were Andrea Brown and Johnny Hoffman. Left: Art Award receivers were Brian Miller and Squirt Starnes.

Graduation and

The Merritt Middle School Graduation exercise took place on Thursday, May 15, 1986. The Processional was played by Beverly Adams and the invocation was given by Tobie Shreves and Jennifer Bandy. Mr. Richardson, the middle school principal, gave the awards to honor students and others. The conferring of diplomas was done by Dr. Gail Anspaugh and Mr. Paul King. The benediction was given by Bridget Taylor and the recessional by Beverly Adams. The Valedictorian was Andrea Brown and the Co-Salutatorians were Beth Anspaugh and Tobie Shreves. The class officers were Charles Keevert as president, Tobie Shreves as Vice-president, and Kevin Tew as Secretary-treasurer. The class parents were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hoffman and Dr. and Mrs. Gail Anspaugh. The class colors were red and white and the flower was a red rose. The class motto was "to strive for the best — is to be the best". This graduation marks the beginning of a new time for these graduates. They are starting on the road to another very important graduation, their high school graduation.



Jennifer Bandy



Escorts Brian Richardson and DeLisa Ballou



THE GRADUATION

8th Grade Party

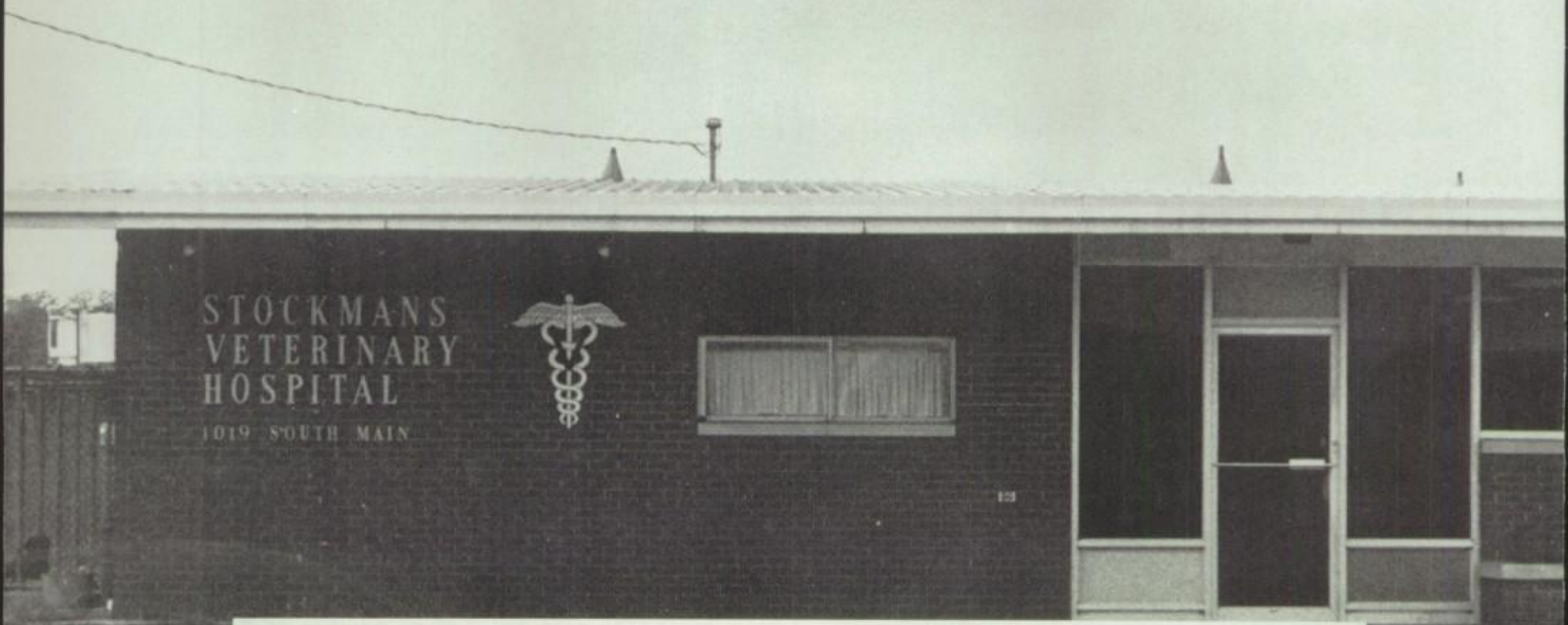


Upper L: Tobie Leffew, Squirt Starnes, and Jody Loyd take time out from the party. Upper R: Leslie Welsh looking lost as everyone else gathers around the jukebox. Center L: Patti Davis and her "shy" friend are keeping the chairs warm. Center: Sherise Alford and James Hancock put everything into their dancing. Center R: Jennifer Seigrist is really enjoying herself. Below L: Brandy Stewart and Brian Richardson are displaying their ability to share. Below Center: Laura Marshall looking over her prizes won at the game booths.

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Jackie Biles
Whitney Blanken
Danette Carter
Amy Chohn
Jennifer Copeland



Casey Cummings
Michael Freeman
Angela Gillum
Valarie Kelly
Beverly Lancaster
Justin Lewis



Arla Little
Tammy Marshall
Rosie Martinez
Shawn McCannon
Patrick McCormick
Rodney Mikles



Matt Mollet
Joe Music
Amy Osborne
Shauna Pettit
Rickey Rainey
Jeanne Roberts



Stacey Russell
Austin Smith
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Toby Smith
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Kelby Stewart

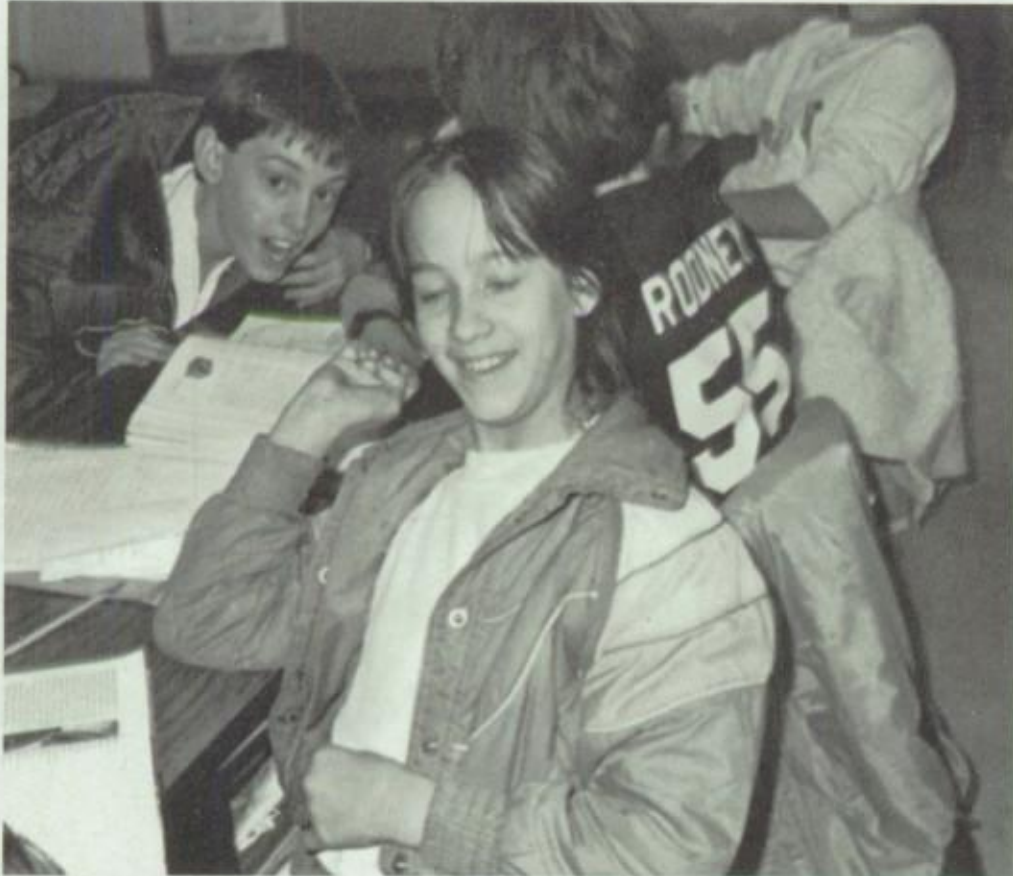


Nikki Terriaco
Julia Valenzuela
Tori Van Vranken
Randy Walker
Justin Ward
Mike Wilhelm



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Time to GROW



Upper Left: Matt Mollet trying to get into the picture. Upper Right: Amy and Austin are hitting the books again. Left: Smile you're on Merritt Camera.



Mark York
Chad Zimms

Fourth Grade

David Bales
Augie Bice
Boo Booth
Kimberly Cloud
Aaron Cummings
Belissa Cupp



Kelli Elder
Angela Jackson
Becky Jarnagin
Michael Jones
Katha Joyce
Jamie Lee



Gina Logan
Jennifer McLemore
Christina McSperritt
Rusty Miller
Becky Morey
Mikey Musgrove



Chad Myers
Shawna Nash
Junior Partain
Lance Peffer
Rhonda Pettitt
Barrett Richardson

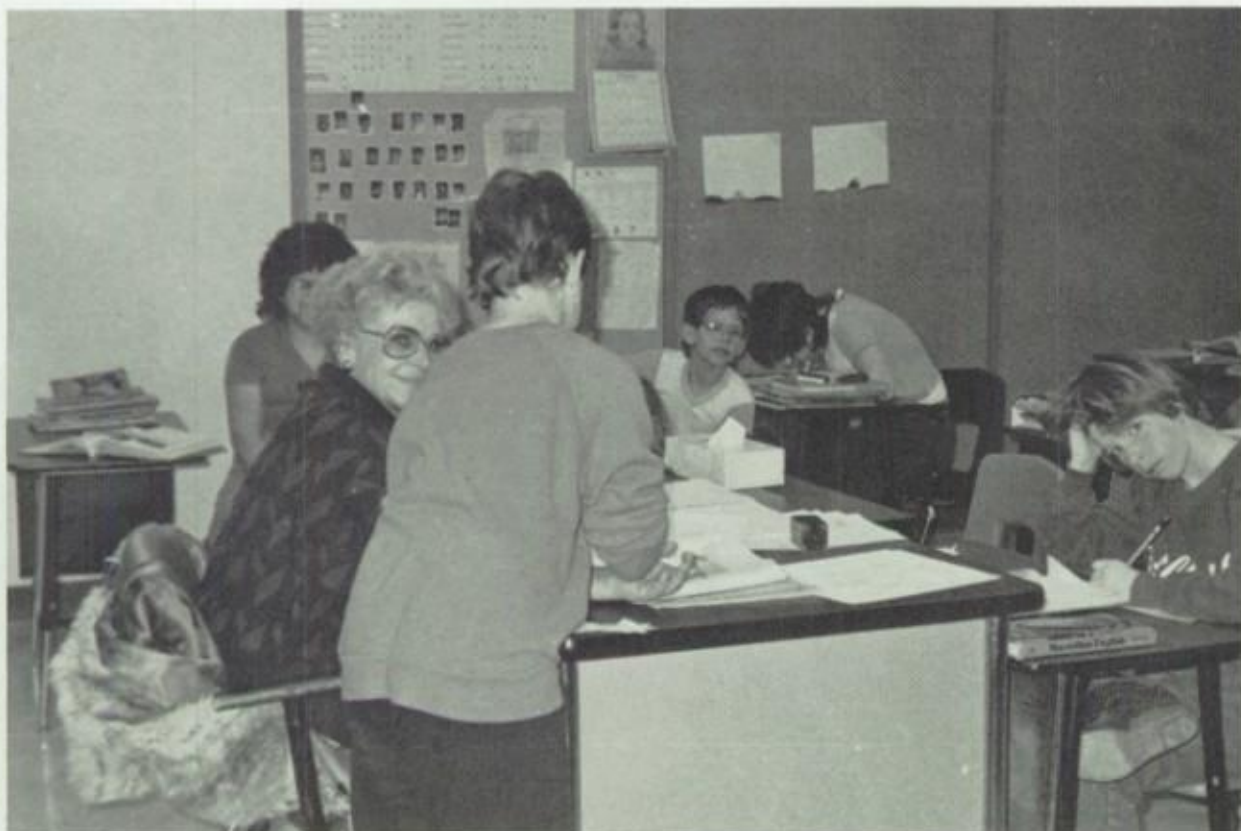


Amanda Schachle
Rain Scott
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Troy Smith
Alissa Teel
Bryan Taylor

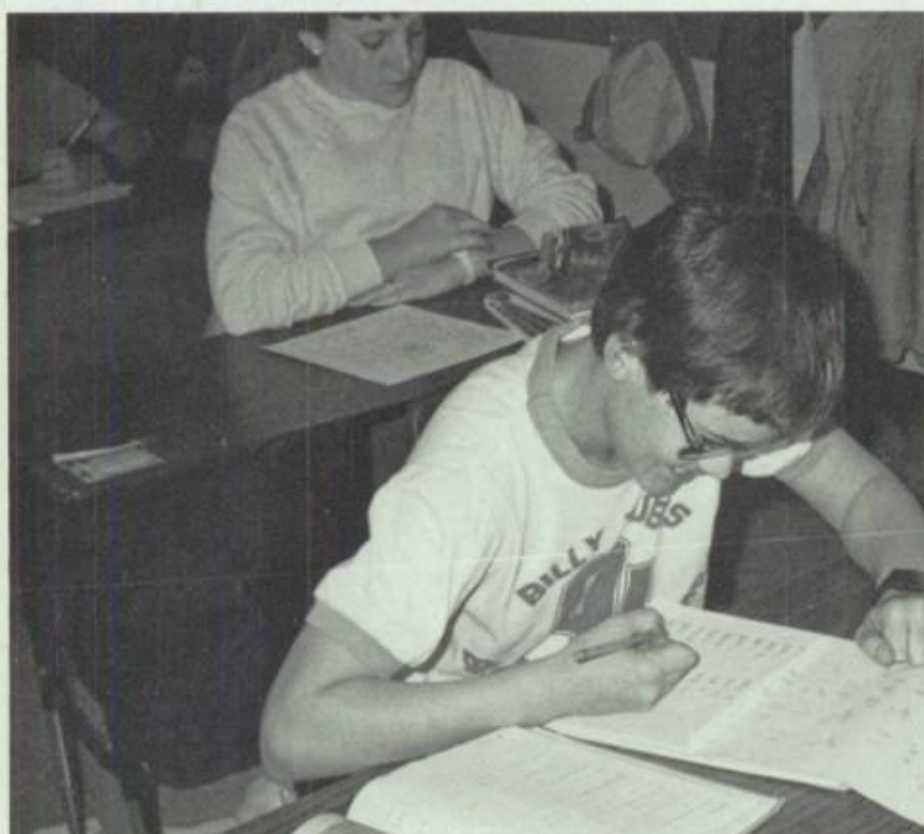


Mandy Trollinger
Mark Williams
Jamie Wilson
Elissa Woodson
Khris Yeager





Left: Mrs. Allen helping one of her students.
Below Left: Ricky Rainey trying to study.
Below: All of the 4th graders are hard at work.



Right: Boo Booth getting startled by the camera. Far Right: The 4th graders take time out to say "HI."

Third Grade

Bart Barnett
B. J. Barnett
Calista Beecham
Roci Bice
Cindy Bruening
Jami Cambell



Polo Cerda
Jennifer Clay
Jessica Clifton
Angie Coon
Melissa Cupp
Brandi Estrada



Beau Finch
Sherry Gerszewski
Greg Homan
John Humphries
Shannon Jackson
Holly Kuntz



Tommy Lee
Summer Leffew
Christina Logan
Christy Loyd
Jeremy Loyd
Jim Lundy



Michael McCannon
James McCormick
Sindi Miller
Dale Millirons
Jason Moler
Kathy Mollet



Chad Newman
Derwood Noble
Bruce Pettitt
Megan Rogers
Kelly Schneberger
Steven Seigrist





Left, Mrs. Stansbury is very proud of her class and the good job they did on their science projects.

Below Left, Mrs. Jennings' third grade enjoy the competition of a math race.

Below, Dusty Clenney and Justin Bashaw look over the third grade science projects.



Chris Baily
JoAnn Reed
Steven Seigrist
Tammy Shreves
Ryan Simmons
Tony Smith



Landy Stewart
Alicia Swisher
Alex Terriaco
Danny Titus
Amanda Vinson
Lindy York

Second Grade

James Albert
Heath Beck
Lisa Burke
Crissy Butler
Chrissy Campbell
Phil Clifton



Neil Coy
Gered Davis
Tabitha Dilley
Elizabeth Driver
Brad Elder
Zackery Foster



Joel Goodin
Casey Hanks
Aric Harmon
Robert Hollandsworth
Jeb Jennings
Terina Jones



Jeff Justus
Devin Lapeyrouse
Jerry Ledbetter
Drew Mackey
Jamie Miller
Mandy Miller



Teresa Mollet
Sherri Nash
Toby Newman
Mandee Nogosek
Jessica Partain
Teresa Patton



Johnny Prather
Timothy Remy
Jeremy Russell
Bradley Schmidt
Chelsea Scott
Felicia Scott





Above: Second graders being shown the proper way to brush their teeth.
Left: Second graders would rather pose for the camera than work.



Robert Seymour
Erin Smith
James Stewart



Brandy Trollinger
Misty Van Vranken
Eddy White
Tina Williams
Trina Womack
Mark White

First Grade

Chris Bales
Luke Beck
Conrad Bice
Cody Branham
Shae Cook
Danny Cupp



Kara DeGarmo
Brad Duvall
Bradi Edson
Patrick Fatheree
Ulis Garrett
Micheal Grant



Sheli Hall
Heather Hanks
Jamey Herren
Bryan Higgins
Jim Hill
Anne Humphries



Christina Jay
Rodney Jay
Tracy Lancaster
Jason Lundy
Jenae Mincher
Jarred Moler

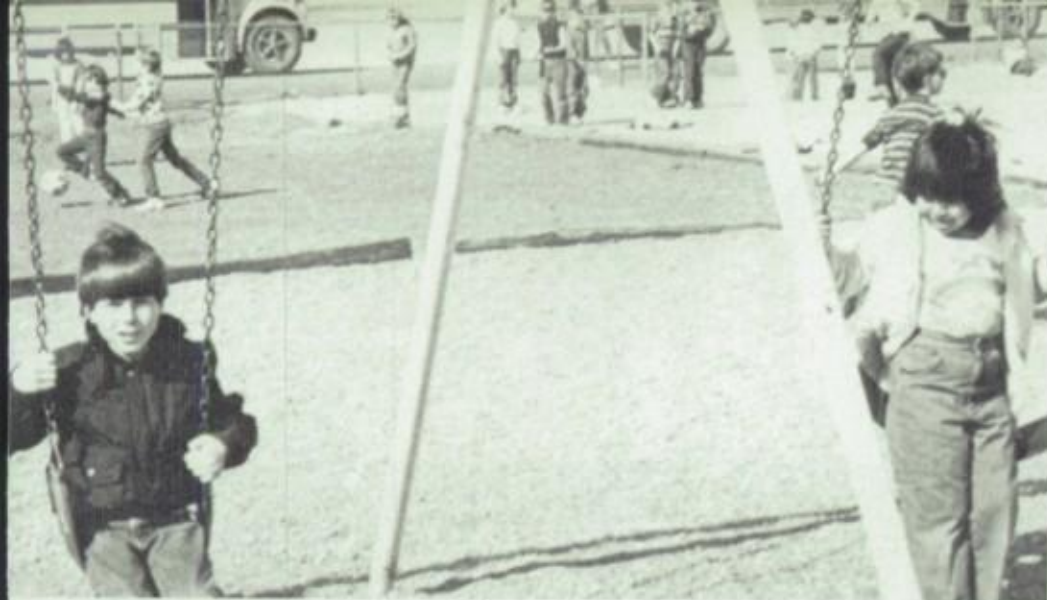


Chasity Nees
Tori Nidey
Amanda Noble
Kelly Nogosek
Tony Odom
Amanda Ogletree



Christopher Owens
Andy Partain
Jenny Poff
Steven Pruitt
Joshua Rice
Amanda Rios





Jim and Lupita swinging at recess.

The first graders participated in the Pizza Hut sponsored "Book-It" reading program. Students received a free personal pizza if they read at least 10 books in one month. With their students are Donna McNeil, Elisha Williamson, and Jacqueline Lance.



Jeff Schachle
Trent Schwede
Nick Seymour
Richard Seymour
Jodie Smithey
Mandy Spitz

Deanna Stanley
Brian Taylor
Brock Taylor
Chris Taylor
Lupita Valenzuela
Kip Welsch

Shannon Wilhelm
Charity Willis
Jeremy Wilson
Josh Woodson
Daniel Wyckoff
Mark Yell

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Austin Ball
Jamie Beechum
Joe Blake
Brian Brinkley
Lesley Brown



Katie Burke
Shannon Campbell
Mike Carnes
John Cook
Keyton Coon
Monica Corroscio



Andy Garrett
Jenny Goodin
Dustin Gunkel
Christy Ham
Johnathon Harper
Jennifer Hollandsworth



Jamie Hubbard
Kevin Jaringin
Jamie Jones
Karla Keevert
Christy Lewis
Brian Mackey



Marlana Marshall
Stanson Metzger
Dawn Monk
Amanda Neely
Jennifer Potter
Raquel Rascon



Joseph Reed
Jamilyn Richardson
Raven Ross
Delessa Sanders
Breanna Schneberger
Terry Schwede



TIME to begin



Upper Left: Raven enjoys coloring in her spare Time. Above: Amanda poses for a picture before cooking. Lower Left: School work is new and fun to these eager beginners.



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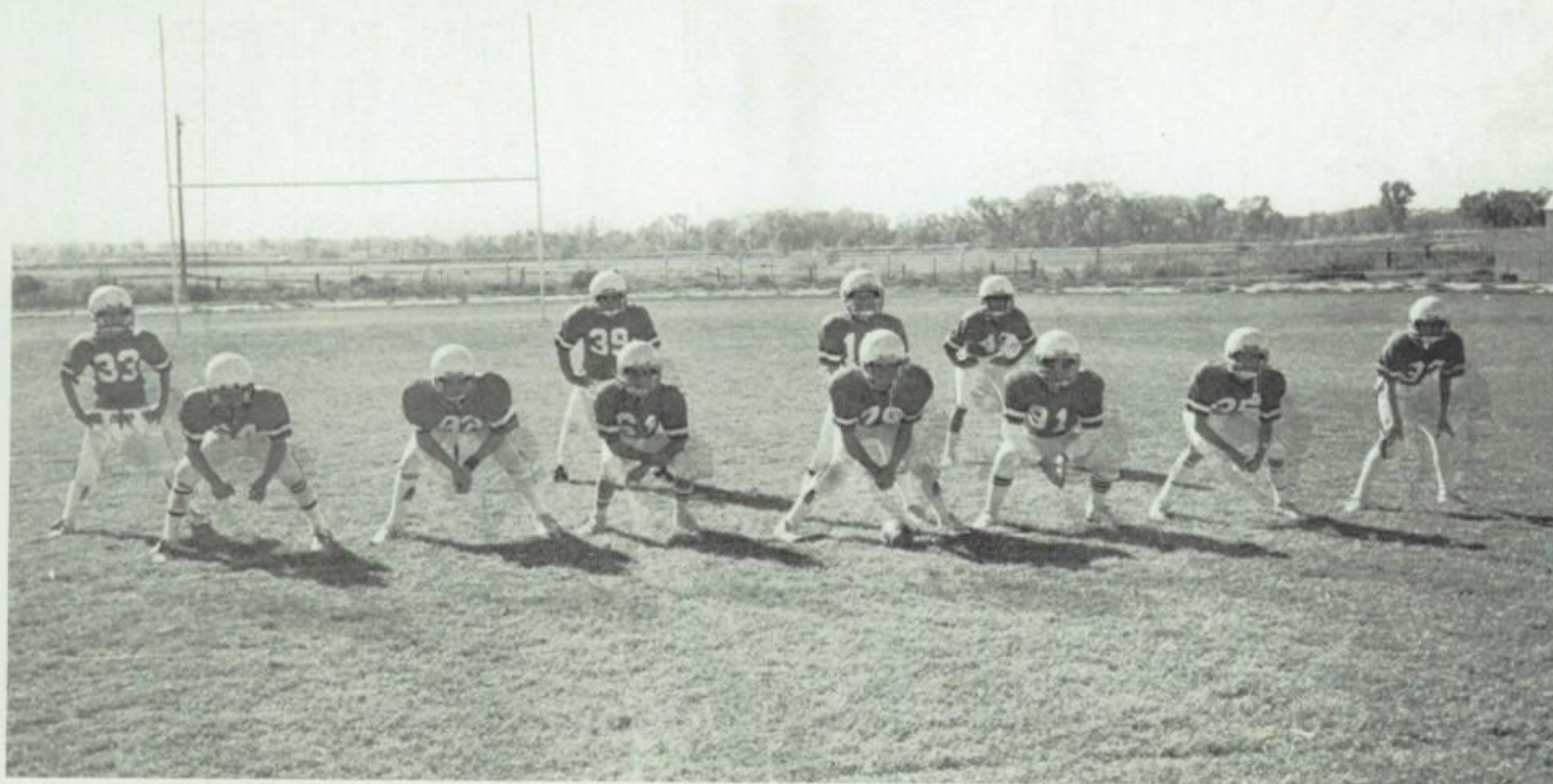
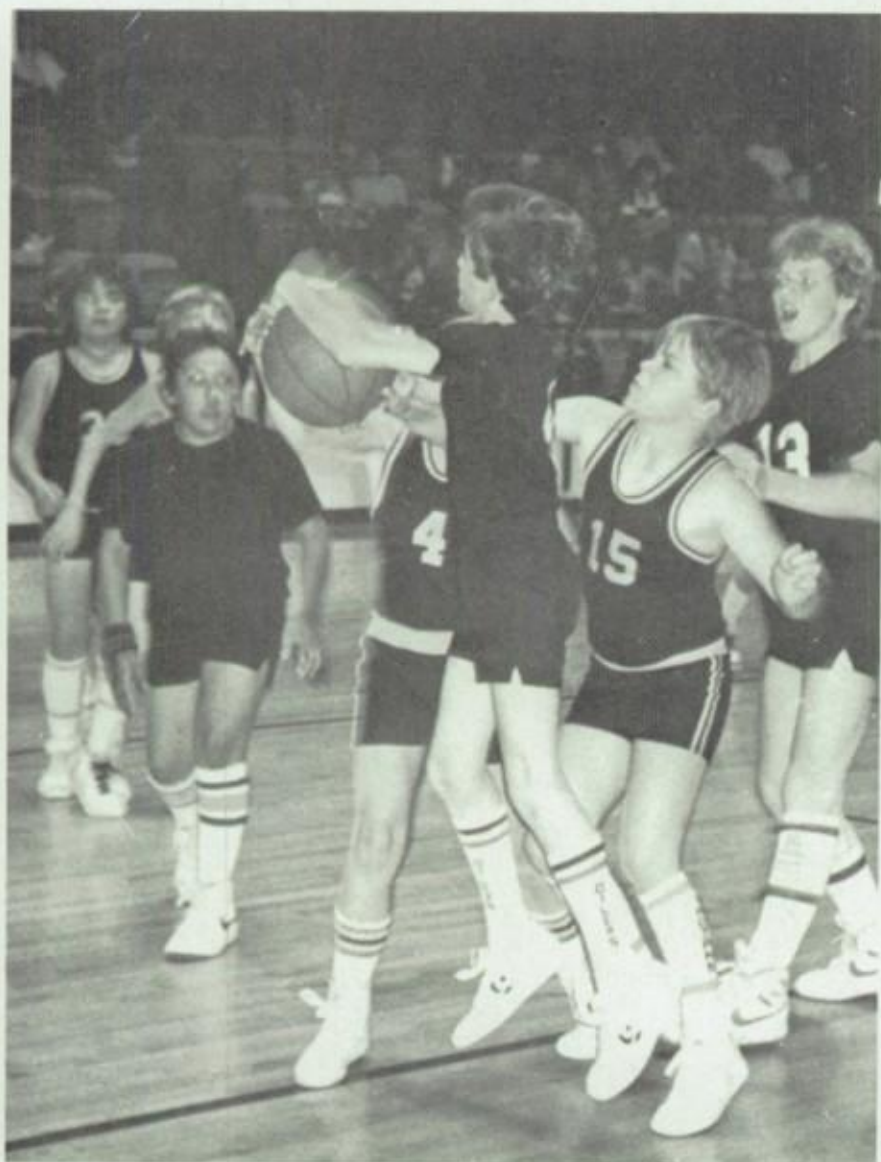
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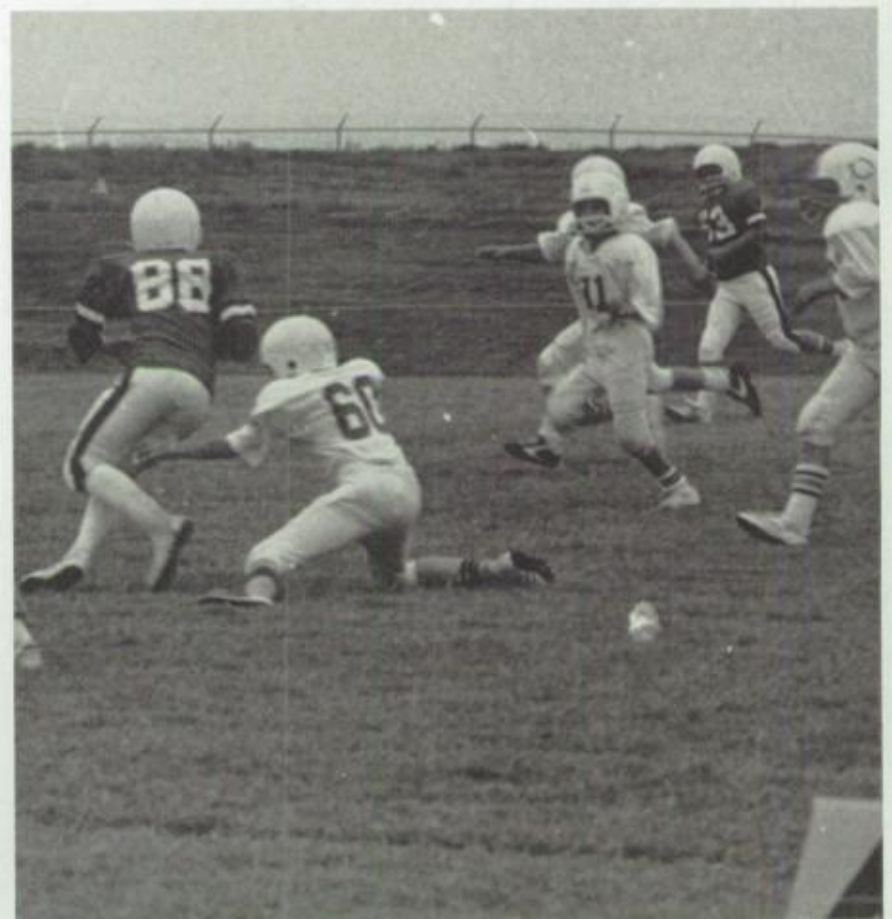




Front Row: J. Cherry, B. Samuels, J. Williams, R. Barnett, D. Teel, T. Smith. 2nd Row: R. Walker, S. Woods, M. Mollet, M. York, S. McCannon, K. Stewart, J. Ware, R. Rainey, P. McCormick. 3rd Row: C. Humphries, M. Freeman, C. Zimms, R. Mikles, B. Jones, A. Smith, J. Lewis, L. McHenry. Back Row: Coach Duvall, M. Ledbetter, J. Brown, J. Gibbons, S. DeGarmo, D. Anderson, T. McSperitt, J. Radtke, Coach Chalenburg.



The team discusses the strategy a time-out.

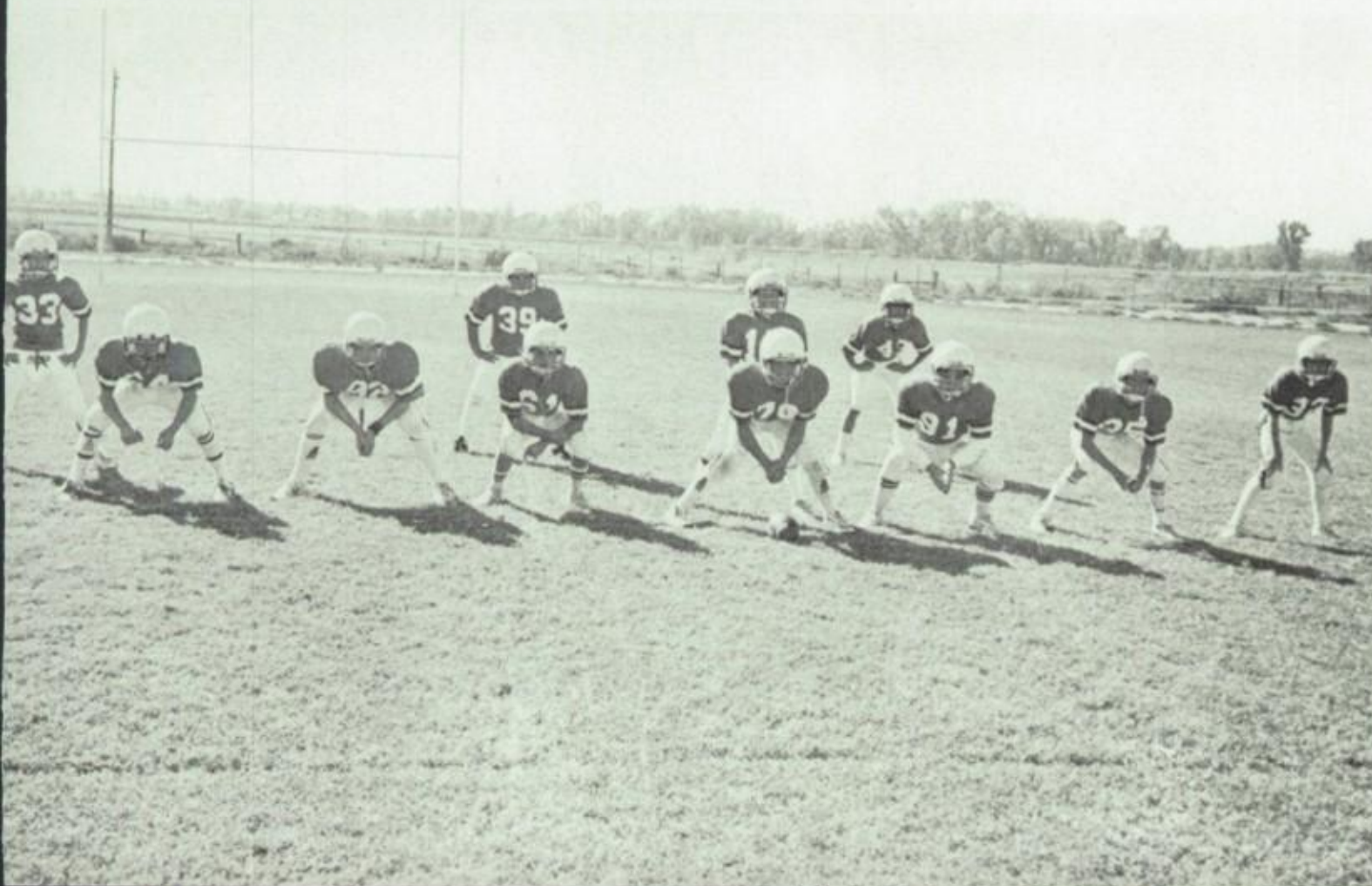


Rickey pushes his way through to make some yards.

G. S. Football



Upper Left: The Oilers line up for another play. Upper Right: Damon tries to get a few pointers from Brad. Bottom: The Oiler offense shows how awesome they are.



G. S. Basketball



Above: Terry McSperritt tries to block a pass in bounds. Above Right: An Oilerette guard passing the ball over the halfline to the forwards. Right: Shawn DeGarmo is anxiously waiting for the rebound.





Left: The young Oilers are hard at work trying to win the game. Below: Coach Mulkey giving important instructions to the young Oilerettes.



Center Left: The Oilers warming up and getting ready for the game. Above: Coach Jackson telling the team they played a good game. Lower Left: Damon Anderson and other Oilers are hustling to get that ball.



Little Olympics



The Little Olympics have been going on for several years now and it has taught a great many small kids how to be good winners and how to be good losers. They are taught how to compete against one another and make it a great sport. As they get older they will cherish what they have learned and will respect every sport.





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Grade School 4-H



First Row: S. Seigrist, A. Teel, J. Bashaw, B. Barnett, H. Kuntz, T. Shreves. 2nd Row: K. Edler, J. McLemore, K. Mollet, J. Lee, M. Trollinger, K. Sessions, A. Jackson, C. Scott, C. Newman. 3rd Row: J. Wilson, V. Stanley, W. Blanken, Jodi Smith, B. Lancaster, B. Morey, G. Logan. 4th Row: P. McCormick, R. Rainey, R. Mikles, A. Osborne, T. VanVranken, J. Roberts, J. Riles, A. Chlon, V. Kelly. 5th Row: M. Mollet, M. Armstrong, T. Marshall, S. McCannon, R. Walker, S. Russell, J. Copeland, D. Carter, A. Little. 6th Row: S. Pettit, K. Cloud, M. Musgrove, J. Partain, D. Bales, L. Pepper, A. Bice, M. Jones, K. Yeager.



Kimberly Cloud showing her sheep.



G. S. Free-time



Most of the kids like posing for pictures.



The kids enjoy eating their lunch.



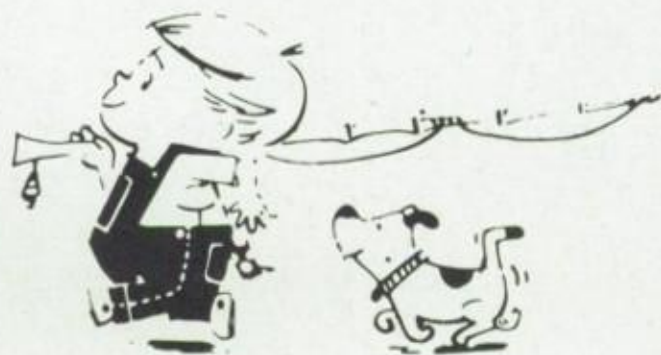
Kara and Uli are up to something.



Is this break dancing?



The building makes good shelter from the wind.



Grade School



During their free-time, grade school children enjoy playing basketball; have fun on the merry-go-round; pose for pictures; and wait in line to go down the slide.



Free-Time



Playing ball with a friend is one way to spend free-time. Some students find it fun to go down the slide on their free-time. Others like taking it easy on the seesaw. Some enjoy talking to one another by the monkey bars. That's how these grade-school students spent their free-time.

Elementary Speech



Bottom Row, L to R: Alissa Teel, Jamie Wilson, Jamie Lee, Michelle Armstrong, Amy Osborne, Jodie Smith. Top Row, L to R: Boo Booth, Khris Yeager, Michael Freeman, Justin Lewis, Casey Cummings, Mikey Musgrove.



First Row, L to R: Danny Wyckoff, Angie Coon, Tony Smith, Tracey Lancaster, Jeremy Wilson, Cara DeGarmo. Second Row, L to R: Annie Humphries, Chelsa Scott, Jessica Partain, Landy Stewart, Manda Vincent, Lisa Burke, Toby Newman. Third Row, L to R: Bart Barnett, James Stewart, Drew Mackey, Conrad Bice, Roci Bice.

Elementary Music



First row, L to R: Tammie Shreeves, Angie Coon, Alissa Teel, Becky Jarnigan, Jamie Miller, Amanda Schacle, Bradley Schmidt. Second Row, L to R: Landy Stewart, Neil Coy, Cathy Mollet, Shawn McCannon, Jennifer Copeland, Jamie Lee, Christina McSperitt.



Far Left: Alex Trriaco, Landy Stewart, and Brandy LaStroda perform in the third grade music play. Center: Kelley Elder, Jamie Lee, Beckey Morey, and Katha Joyce in the fourth grade music play. Above: The grand finale of the third grade play.

Grade School Awards

Masonic, Citizenship, and Perfect Attendance were some of the awards given this 1985-86 school year. The Grade School Awards Assembly was held in the gymnasium on May 20, 1986.

Pictured Above: Jeanne Roberts and Michael Freeman received the Masonic Student of Today Awards. Pictured Center Right are the students receiving Citizenship awards. Back Row: Justin Lewis, Michael Freeman, Augie Bice, Michael Jones, Neal Coy. 2nd Row: Kelly Elder, Misty Van-Vraken, Becky Jarnigan, Danny Titus, Devon Lapeyrouse, Robert Hollingsworth. 1st Row: James Albert, Tracy Lancaster, Danny Wycoff, Andy Partain. Pictured Lower Right are the students receiving perfect attendance, Back Row: Mike McCannon, Chrissie Logan, Kathy Mollet, Michael Freeman, Matt Mollet, David Bales, Chatille Scott, Jeanne Roberts, Beverly Lancaster. 2nd Row: Mark Wright, Neal Coy, Lindy York, Jason Moler, Tammy Shreves, Timmy Rainey, Robert Seymore. 1st Row: Elizebeht Driver, Brian Force, Annie Humphries, Joshua Rice, Joshua Woodson, Mandy Spitz, Kara DeGarmo, Tammy Patton.





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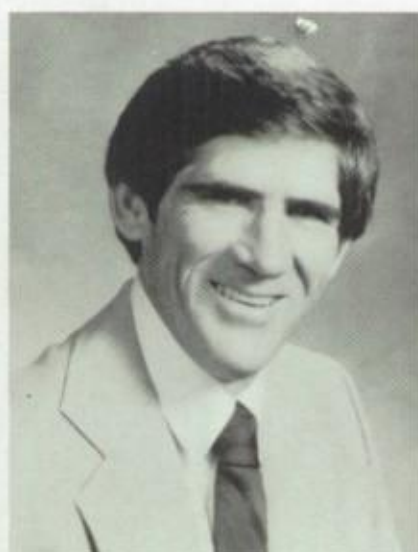
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Mr. C. A. Glasscock went off the school board in January after serving five years. His time and dedication are greatly appreciated by the students and faculty.

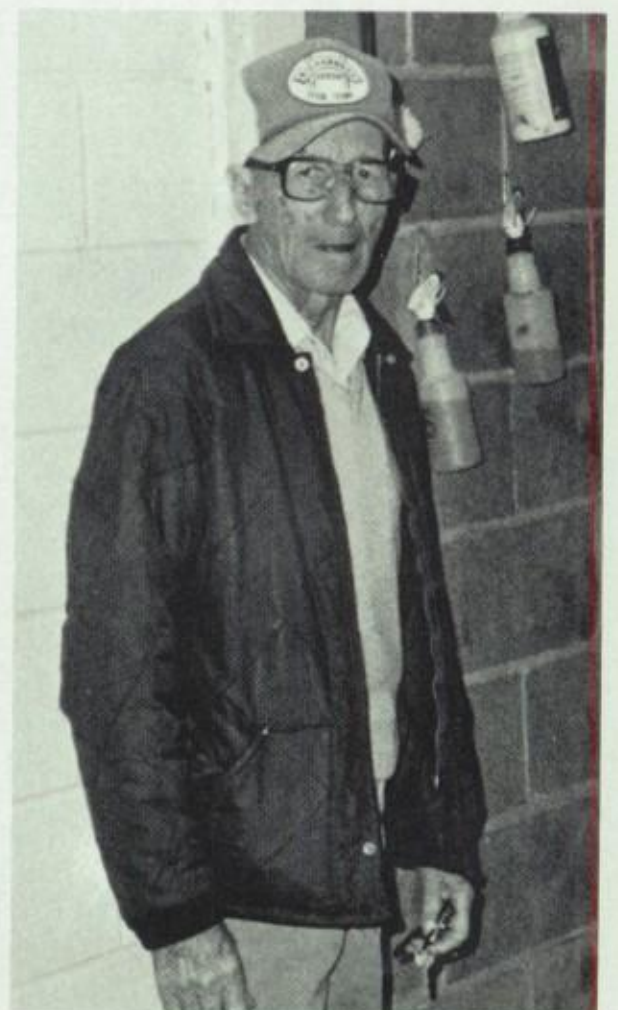
Ardnol Retires

Ardnol Harless has retired after being custodian for twenty-three years at Merritt School. He first came to Merritt in November 1949. He worked five years cleaning two buildings, a gym and a lunch room.

The family lived in an apartment complex, shared by two teachers' families, located where the present high school is built. He left and worked for Elk City School and Hedlund Motor Co. After seventeen years he returned to work at Merritt.

The school campus has grown to five buildings and two gyms as well as the football-track facilities during this time. His wife Velma, has worked along side him for many years.

The Merritt School Board presented Ardnol with a mantel clock in appreciation for his years of dedication to the school.



Faculty Makes the

Shirley Allen
Deborah Beasley
Paul Beach
Harvey Black
Mary Ann Caldwell
Rick Chalenburg



Pam Diebel
Debbie Duerksen
Dana Duvall
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Jan Harris
Jan Jennings



Debie Klein
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Denise Lapeyrouse
Bernita Lookingbill
Linda Louderback
Donna McNeil



Jaquita Martin
Don Mitchell
John Mollet
Bill Mulkey
Ginger Mulkey
Margaret Mullican



Dana Duvall, Pat Jones, and Jim Richardson are members of the Staff Development Committee planning the inservice activities for the Merritt teachers. Other members are Mary Ann Caldwell, Rebecca Reeves, Jan Harris, Kent Jackson, and Elaine Simon.



Time for Students



Bill Naberhause
Debbie Orgain
Kay Plummer
Rebecca Reeves
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Blaine Stone
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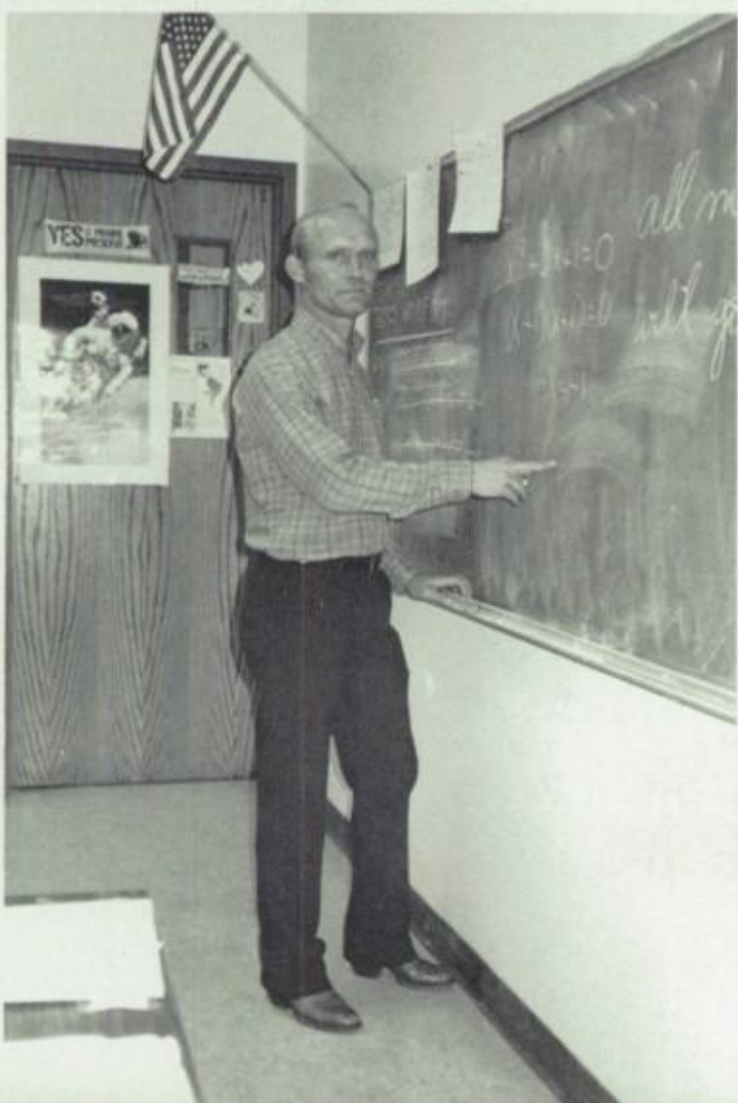


Annette Wingfield

Above Left, Mr. Kent Jackson is always willing to work with the students.

Above Right, Mrs. Janice Mollet is waiting for her next group of students.

Left, Mr. Tim Grabeal takes time to work an algebra problem on the board.



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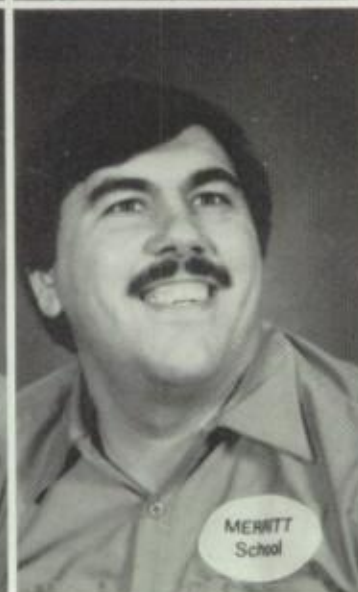
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M. P. O. and Booster Club



Left: Sharon Miller is looking over the fruit baskets the Merritt Parent Organization presented to the faculty and staff at Christmas. Below: Earlene Clark, Debbie Wilson, Paulette Cloud and Terry Partain, M. P. O. members hosting the Christmas coffee.



Center Left: Merritt Booster Club members, Velta Jones and Cookie Freas selling jackets to raise money to help the Athletic Program. Above: Faculty and Staff enjoying the Christmas Coffee Left: Mrs. Wingfield at the Christmas Coffee.



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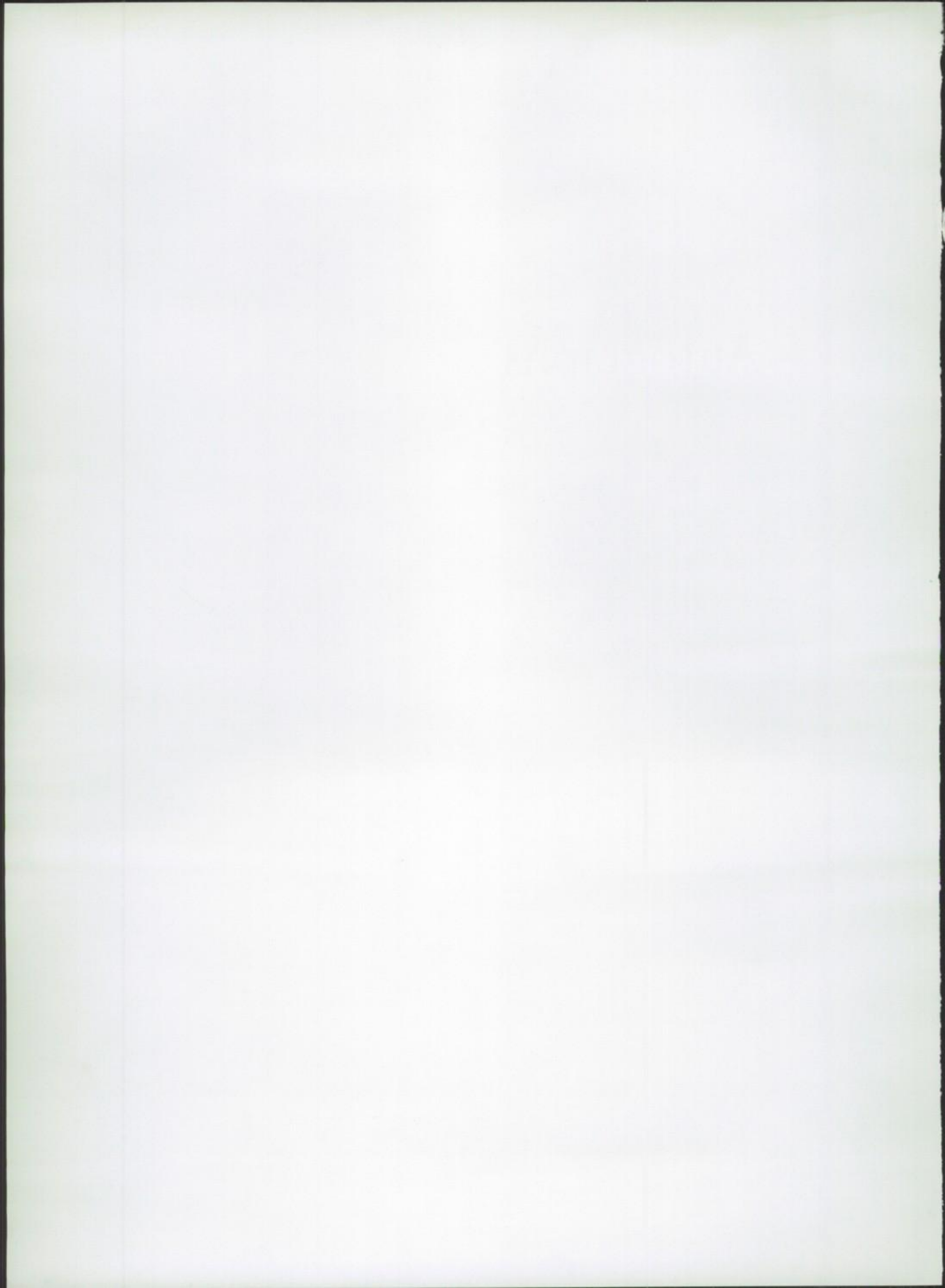
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